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SUNG CHEH-YUAN OBEYS NANKING

Japanese Military Expect Large-Scale Fighting

CLASHES OCCUR AT FENGTAI AND WANGTSUN PEIPING AGAIN CUT OFF FROM THE SEA

Tientsin, To-day.

Railway traffic between Peiping and Tientsin has again been suspended as a result of the clash between Chinese and Japanese troops, in which Japanese bombing planes participated, at Lanfang, midway between the two cities.

Troops of General Chang Tze-chung's Division were concerned in the clash, which, allege Japanese military authorities in Tientsin, was precipitated by the Chinese when they attacked a repair party of sappers who were engaged in restoring the Japanese military telephones in the vicinity, which had been cut.

Some confusion seems to exist regarding the exact cause of the fighting, however, another report stating that the Chinese garrison came into collision with 1,300 Japanese troops on board two troop trains.

Yet another report alleges that only 200 Japanese troops were engaged in the action. The troops are stated to have been about to occupy Lanfang railway station when the Chinese garrison attacked them.

A brisk fight soon developed, in which rifle and machine-gun fire predominated.—Reuter and Our Own Correspondent.

SUNG CHEH-YUAN VOLTE FACE

Tientsin, To-day.

Large-scale fighting is expected to break out at any moment around Paopaoshan, where the Chinese troops have been greatly strengthened in the last twenty-four hours, according to a high Japanese military official in Tientsin to-day.

Japanese opinion now appears to be that General Sung Cheh-yuan is reinforcing his troops in this area on direct instructions from General Chiang Kai-shek, and that he has reversed his former atti-

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CANTON TO BE LINKED BY RAIL WITH NANKING

Hangchow, To-day.

The important new railway system linking up Nanking, Shanghai and Canton will be officially opened on November 1, according to present plans, stated officials of the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway this morning. Coming as it does after the opening of the Canton-Hankow Railway, the new line is another development in the spread of railway communication in China.—Da-Dao.

BOYCOTT IN CANTON

Coolies Refuse To Work Japanese Ships

Canton, To-day.

The Japanese Consul-General at Canton called on Major-General Au-

BATHING FATALITY IN THE HARBOUR

A distressing tragedy took place this morning near the Victoria Recreation Club.

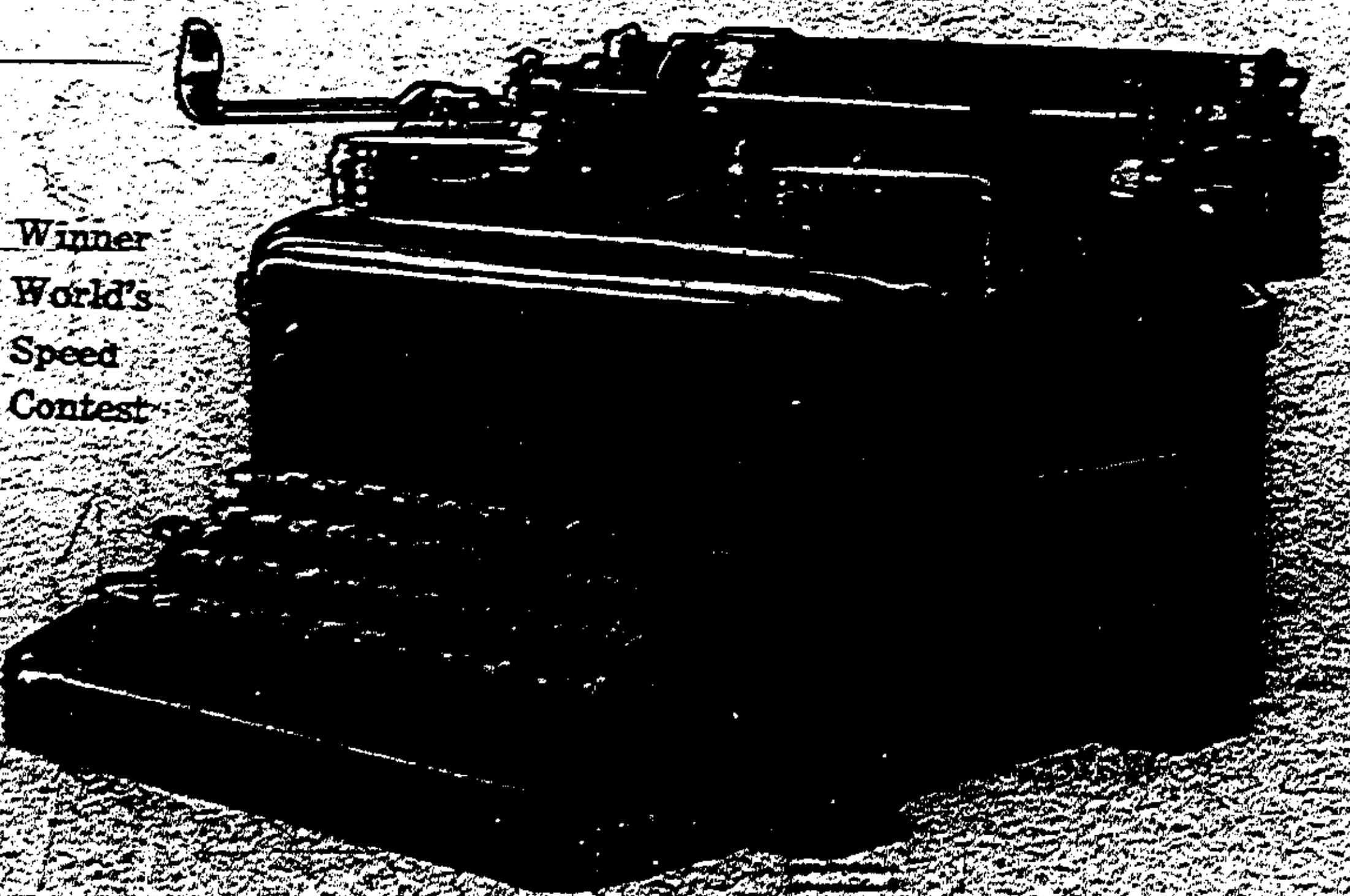
It appears that the usual party of small boys were bathing from Murray Pier and one of them got into difficulties.

Despite the efforts of his comrades, the unfortunate lad was drowned and his body was left floating in the harbour until a Police launch arrived on the scene some time later and removed it to the mortuary.

Yang Chin, Officer Administering the Provincial Government of Kwangtung, this morning, asked the Government to take action against the waterfront coolies who have been refusing to unload Japanese cargoes for the past week.

In reply, Gen. Au-Yang said that the Government would consider the matter.—Da-Dao.

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Women Police Live In Luxury

The women police have ideas about their comfort. Single bedrooms with soft carpets, armchairs, and facilities for making tea; small separate tables (decorated with flowers) in the dining-room; blue velvet curtains, pictures and more flowers in the reading-room; radio in the common room—these are only a few of the features in the

new policewomen's hostel (they call it a Section House) in Pembroke Square, Notting Hill Gate, writes Margaret Lane in a London periodical.

The house was established last year, when the Government decided to increase the number of women police from 20 to 140. It is now filled very nearly to capacity with candidates, probationers, and fully fledged women police officers.

And the description which the envious male members of the force give to the women's Section House is "a luxury palace."

Silence-Room

Here are some of the things I saw there yesterday:

Single bedrooms. Each has an armchair, a gas radiator with a ring for boiling kettle. A good dressing table (most of them liberally equipped with powder and face cream), book-shelves.

Cold feet would seem to be one of their trials, for most of the constables had provided themselves with hot-water bottles in knitted covers.

One was even so human as to have a large toy dog on her bed; but perhaps she was only a probationer.

Large common-room, full of armchairs, sofas, tables, books, and radio music.

Writing-room (a bowl of primroses on the table), very quiet, decorated in studious blue.

Dining-room, with small separate tables, as in a restaurant. Blazing fire and cheerful mirrors.

Eight bathrooms between 40 women.

Recreation-room with all sorts of games.

Silence-room for study. Rather sombre this one, to keep probationers' minds from wandering.

Large kitchens where tea (battered scones and sponge-sandwich) was being prepared.

Food is served through a hatchway into the dining-room. Constables wait on themselves. The kitchen staff says they are not easy to cater for, because they come off their beats at such odd times, want meals at all hours.

The uniform room, where boots, helmets, and equipment are kept, has a curiously bizarre, feminine look, since every officer's uniform was prudently shrouded in a cretonne bag cover.

For Private Parties

There is even a small sitting-room where women police officers can entertain private parties. Stairs and landings are thickly carpeted, so that police boots shall make no noise.

The women's police force is being augmented at the rate of eight new probationers every 11 weeks. As soon as a candidate is entered at Peel House for her 11 weeks' course of police instruction, she comes to Pembroke Square to live under the eye of the resident (woman) sergeant.

All candidates are between 24 and 35 (they have to be), and are serious, quiet, and studious. The Metropolitan Police won't have them any younger than 24.

They want women who have already earned their living, who "know something about life."

The 11 weeks' training successfully over, the candidate becomes a probationer, wears uniform, and stays in Pembroke Square a further two years. After that she is a fully fledged police officer.

Before long, it is hoped, another women's section house will be established in London.

Noodles Espagnole

The subtle blending of flavours in this sauce places the finished dish in the ranks of food aristocrats. Make plenty, there'll be calls for more from the whole family.

- 3 tablespoons fat or oil
- 1 medium-sized onion
- ¼ cup chopped green pepper
- 2 tablespoons chopped ripe olives
- 2/3 cup (1 can) mushrooms
- 1 cup tomato pulp
- 1½ tablespoons flour
- 1 cup meat stock
- Salt
- Pepper
- 1 package noodles

Heat 2 tablespoons fat or oil. Add chopped onion, green pepper, olives, sliced mushrooms and tomato pulp. Cook 10 minutes. Brown separately the remaining tablespoon fat or oil, stir in flour with a little of the meat stock to form smooth paste. Add remaining meat stock and stir over heat until thickened. Combine with first mixture, cook 5 minutes; season with salt and pepper. Meanwhile cook the noodles until tender in boiling salted water to cover; drain and add melted butter. Serve sauce on noodles. Serve 6.



A charming luncheon frock, worn by pretty Anita Louise, screen actress. It is a two-piece creation of navy blue sheer. The collar is of stiffened faille in heaven-blue and is given a petal treatment. Miss Louise's accessories are navy blue.

WASH FROCKS

If coloured washing frocks have to be dried out of doors in strong sunshine they should be turned inside out or hung inside an old bolster case to prevent their colour from fading. To keep them in good shape they should be hung on wooden hangers or pegged to the line by the seam just under each armhole. They should be brought indoors the moment they are dry enough.

His Case Was Desperate.

Young Man's Distressed State.

"I was reduced to such a state through anaemia and neurasthenia that my case was desperate," states Mr. W. J. Ingram of 15, Leyburne Street, Bradford, England. "Last October I began to suffer from dizziness, and when outdoors my head was in such a whirl that I could not walk straight. I had no appetite, my face grew pale, and I was completely devoid of energy. I became so bad that I had to give up my work. The doctor said that I was suffering from anaemia and neurasthenia, and might collapse in the street. Then I decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and soon began to improve. My appetite picked up and I felt less tired. The dizziness disappeared, my face took on a healthy tinge, and I gained strength rapidly. Now I am like a new man."

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nick and his Orchestra
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rice Winnick and his Orchestra

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By ELY CULBERTSON

The semi-finals of the Bridge World Championship at Budapest were a battle between Austria, Hungary, and the two American teams. The English team was knocked out in the first round of the contest proper.

They did rather better than was expected, however, in getting safely through the eliminating rounds, and in their good performance in the first half of their match against the Hungarians thereafter.

The English team beat Denmark and Egypt, drew with Jugoslavia, and lost to Austria in the eliminating rounds, when 24 boards a match were played.

In the contest proper 72 boards were the rule. After 36 boards the English led the Hungarians by nearly 2,000 points. In the second half of the match, in addition to being outplayed, the Englishmen appear to have had rather bad luck. In the end they were defeated by 3,220 points.

In the consolation contest for the eliminated teams, England were knocked out in the first round by France. The four members of the team failed to qualify in the open pairs, but two other English pairs qualified—Mr. Frank England and Mrs. E. Johnstone, Miss Daphne Kleuser and Mrs. Hopewell.

Here is a rather curious deal from the match in which the English defeated the Egyptians in the eliminating rounds of the world championship. It shows a particularly successful bid by Mr. Kenneth Konstam.

S-K Q x x x
H-A x x
D-A
C-J x x x

Mathieson **Konstam**

S-x N S-AJ87x
H-KJx W E H-10
D-KQ7xx S D-J98
C-109xx C-AKQx

S-10 x
H-Q x x x x
D-10 x x x
C-x

Room 1

N	E	S	W
1 S	No	No	2 D
No	3 NT	All	pass

Room 2.

N	E	S	W
1 S	No	No	2 D
2 S	Do	All	page

Mr. Konstam, who sat East in room 1, evidently reasoned that Mr. Graham Matheson would not have reopened the bidding on a hand

devoid of strength in both major suits, and therefore bid game in No-Trumps despite his singleton Heart, trusting in his full control of North's Spades, his own Club strength and his fit with his partner's Diamonds. Three No-Trumps was made.

In the other room Mr. E. Reeve and Mr. A. Duncan Lock were fortunate enough to be only one trick down on their doubled Two Spades—a substantial “swing” to the English team.

In the match in the eliminating rounds, which the English team lost to the Australians by no great margin, the Continental players by no means had things all their own way, as the following deal shows.

Mathieson

S-K Q J 10 x x x x
H-A Q x
D-None
C-A K

S-x N S-A x
H-J x W EH-10xxx x
D-xxxx S D-AKxxx
C-J9xxxx C-x

S-x x
H-K x x
D-Q x x x
C-Q 10 x x
Konstam

Room 1

E	S	W	N
1 D	No	No	2 D
No	2 NT	3 D	4S
5 D	No	No	5 S
No	No	6 C	6 C
All pass			

Room 2

E	S	W	N
1 D	No	No	2 D
No	2 NT	No	3 S
No	4 S	No	5 S

All pass.

In room 1, where the English pair sat North-South, the Austrians pushed Mr. Mathieson into the Slam, which was, of course, made. In the other room, where the opposition was less spirited, the Austrians stopped at Five Spades.

It is interesting to note that, as from North's point of view, the key card for a Small Slam is the King of Hearts, an Asking Bid by North in that suit would enable Six Spades to be called with certainty. I believe that the Austrians use Asking Bids and it is rather surprising that the Austrian North should have invited a Slam by the crude method of bidding Five Spades, when an Asking Bid of Five Hearts, with the positive response of Five No-Trumps, showing second-round Heart control, lands the Slam. South would respond positively because, after a strength showing overall, of an opponent's suit no Ace or void is required by the responder.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S — "Green Light" with Errol Flynn, Anita Louise, Margaret Lindsay and Sir Cedric Hardwicke. Errol Flynn is in the role of a young surgeon who sacrifices his career to save that of an older doctor. Anita Louise and Margaret Lindsay provide the love interest while Sir Cedric Hardwicke is the surgeon who risks his life to search for a vaccine that will control the dreaded spotted fever. Directed by Frank Borzage, "Green Light" bids fair to be one of the leading screen contributions of the year.

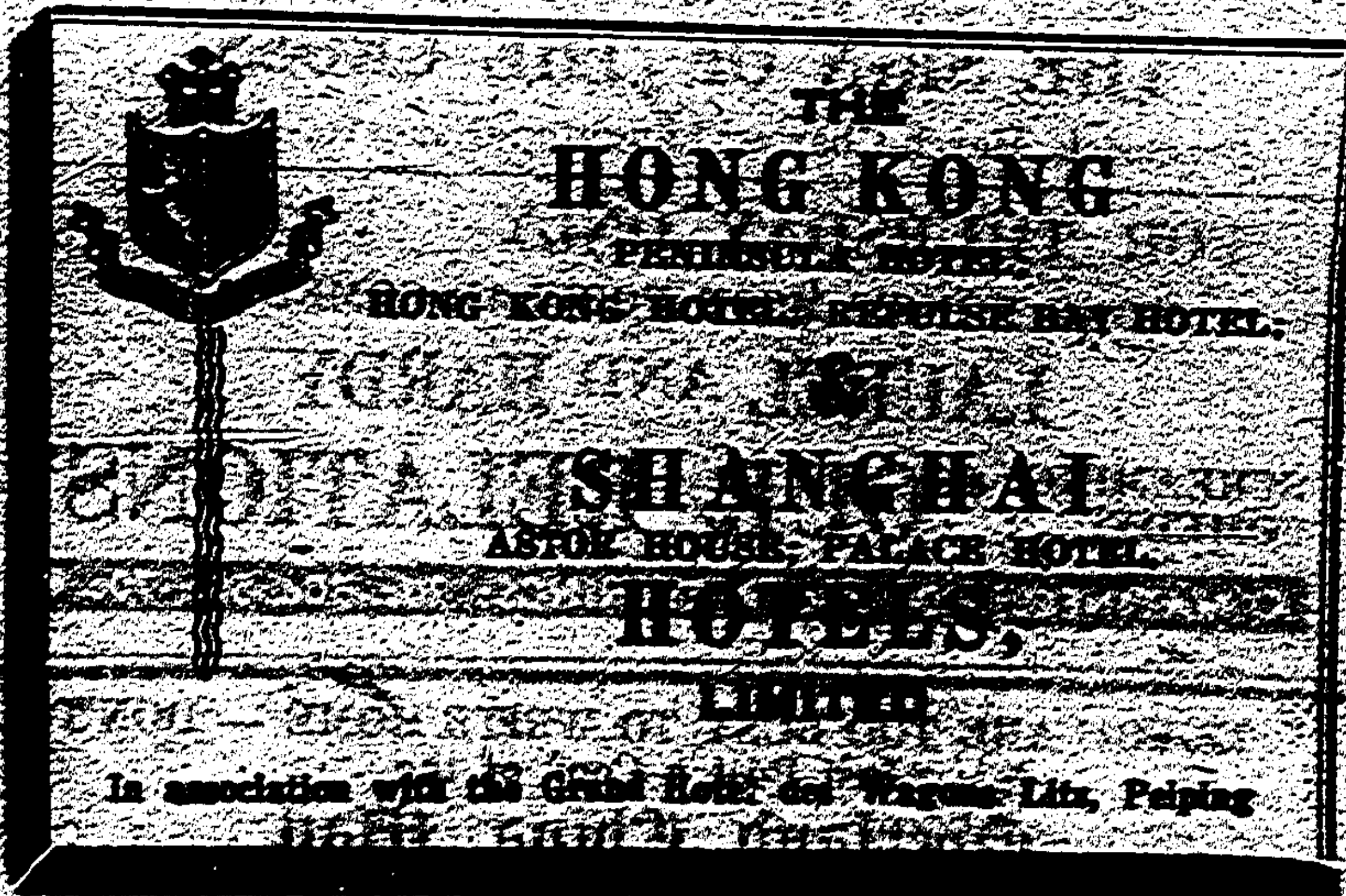
Clanette has ever done

AT THE MAJESTIC Of Night" with Edmund Rice, Sarah Haden and One of the most unique to reach the screen placed in a great College ground of science for crimes. This is unusual interest from the start the length. The love is played by em Florence Rice

AT THE MAJESTIC—Under Cover of Night, with Edmund Lowe, Florence Rice, Sarah Haden and Nat Pendleton. One of the most unique mystery stories to reach the screen. The story is placed in a great College with a background of science for the mysterious crimes. This is unusual and affords the interest from the start with Lowe as the sleuth. The love interest is supplied by en Florence Rice.

AT THE QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA—**"Met Him in Paris"**—Starring **Claudette Colbert, Melvyn Douglas, Robert Young and Mona Barrie**. A sparkling comedy-romance, written by **Claude Binyon**, author of **"The Bride Comes Home"** and **"The Gilded Lily"** and as fast and funny as anything

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NO STOCKINGS IN CHURCH

The girls are members of the St. Mary's Young People's Society, attached to Wimbledon parish church. Once a month they have a young people's service before the ordinary morning service, and as this means that they leave the church earlier than usual they decided this year to go for a hike after the service.

They declared, however, that if they had to go home and change after the service, because they must go to church in their best clothes, they would be too late for an all-day hike, and they threatened not to attend unless allowed to do so in their hiking clothes.

DYING TOWNS OF BRITAIN

London, To-day.
The grandchildren of people alive to-day may live to see the population of Britain decline by nine-tenths. They will exist in a country of dying towns, empty buildings and almost silent industry.

This is one of the startling conclusions which emerge from preliminary surveys of the falling birth-rate made by the Population Investigation Committee says a Trans-Ocean message.

In their first report on the scope of the inquiry Dr. C. P. Blacker, secretary, and Mr. D. V. Glass, research secretary, compare England to a school in which the leaving age has been suddenly raised and the numbers temporarily increased. Medical science is giving to the aged and middle-aged an extra span of life. For the moment, although birth rate decreases, the population does not decline, but by 1940 at the latest, unless drastic changes in fertility occur, the fall must begin.

COMMITTEE ESTIMATE

On the assumption that recent trends in birth and death rates will continue, they give these estimates of the future population of England and Wales:—

1940: 40,655,000. 2000: 17,685,000.
1960: 37,441,000. 2020: 8,563,000.
1980: 28,857,000. 2035: 4,426,000.

Even these figures do not represent the full extent of the problem.

"It is by no means impossible," the committee point out, "that people will have fewer children than has been estimated. A perfect birth control method may be discovered which may abolish the unwanted child."

Every possible line of inquiry will be pursued by the committee. They will investigate medical, social, economic and psychological aspects of the problem. Existing statistics are already being analysed. Material is being collected from the personal experiences of doctors and social workers, while at a later stage carefully planned questionnaire will be filled in for as many families as possible.

SOCIAL UPHEAVAL

Dr. Blacker believes that parents who decline to have children because of the possibility of war, slumps and social upheaval, are still rare, but that their number will increase if conditions grow worse.

"This attitude might come to be shared by the majority of educated, sensitive and far-seeing people if the world were plunged in another big war. If a wholly satisfactory contraceptive were discovered, the birth rate might respond with barometric sensitivity to social disturbances justifying collective anxiety about the future."

The work of the committee is being financed by private subscriptions, but every assistance is being given by Government Departments.

POLAND LOOKS TO HER DEFENCES

Warsaw, To-day.
Poland is to increase her fortifications on her Baltic Sea coast. Decision was taken at an important meeting yesterday between the President, the Premier, Foreign Minister, War Minister, and coast defence officers. — Trans-Ocean.

CHANGES IN RED ARMY COMMAND

Moscow, To-day.
Two important changes in the High Command of the Red Army are announced.

General Kashirin, commander of the Caucasian military district and one of the eight judges in the recent trial of Marshal Tukhachevsky and the seven other Soviet generals who were subsequently executed, has been transferred to an unlisted post.

He will be replaced by General Timoshenko, a representative of the new school of Red Army officers.

Of peasant origin, he rose from the ranks of the Czarist Army and became a general during the civil war. He helped to organise Marshal Budenny's Red Cavalry Divisions. — Reuter.

PACIFIC PARADISE NOT SO PACIFIC

London, To-day.
Slight clashes between natives and Europeans occurred in the town of Vaimoso, on the island of Samoa yesterday as the result of failure by the latter to show due observance to native customs during the course of a religious festival.

The Samoans objected to seeing some of the Europeans passing by the scene of the religious festival on bicycles and demanded that they should dismount.

Some trouble arose when they proceeded to take matters into their own hands, and to drag the cyclists off their machines. — Trans-Ocean.

Anglo-Batavian Society

London, To-day.
The Council of the Anglo-Batavian Society on Saturday unanimously elected the retiring Netherlands Minister in London, Johnkheer Matthe de Meeres van Swinderen, as Chairman of the Society.

Mr. Beresford and Mr. Lichter, members of the Council, were today handed the insignia of the Order of Orange-Nassau by the Minister.

The Order had been awarded by Queen Wilhelmina for their services to Anglo-Dutch relations. — Reuter.

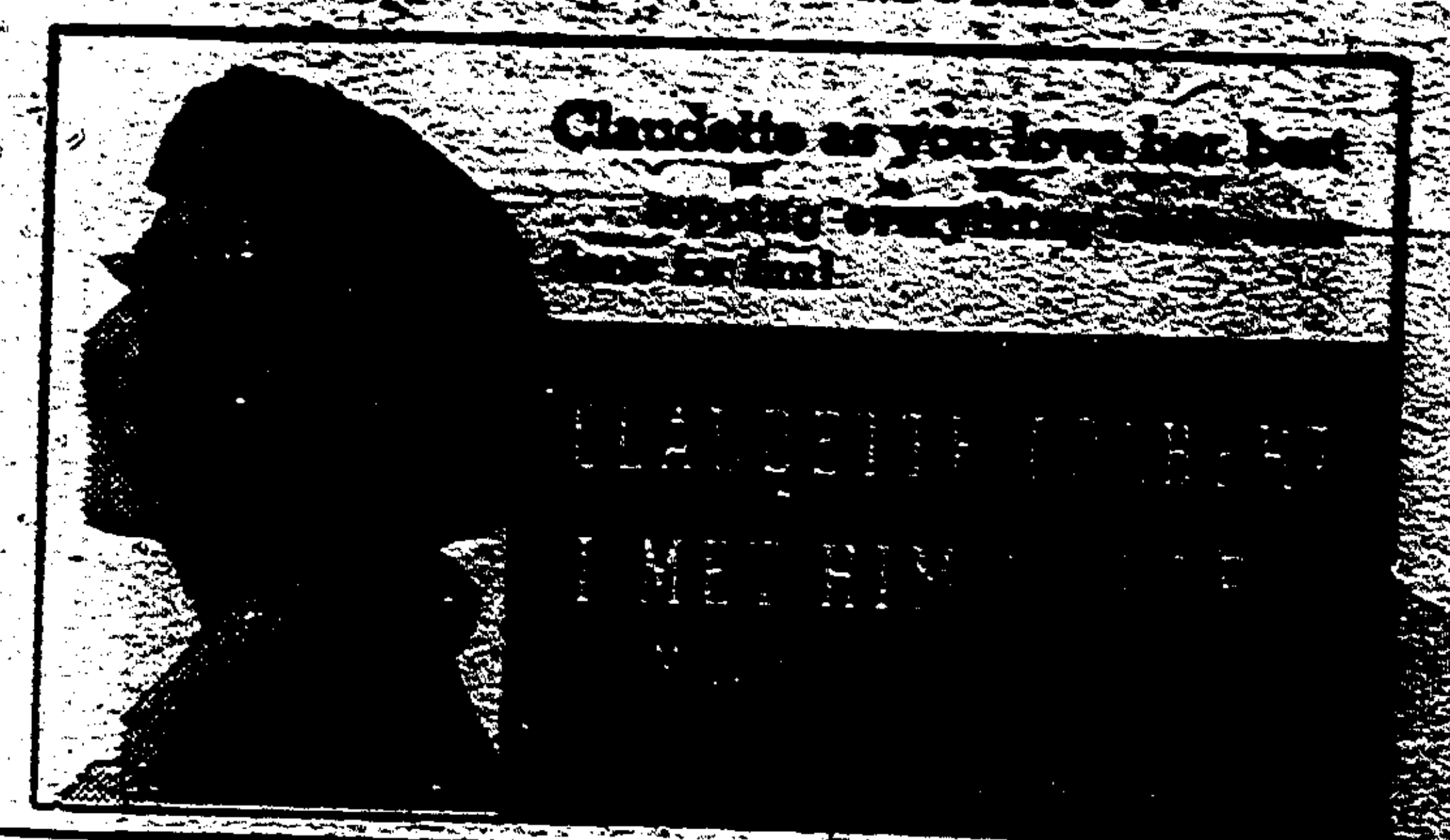
Paris, To-day.
Mr. Sugimura, the newly appointed Japanese Ambassador to France, arrived in Paris on Saturday. — Reuter.

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The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" is due at Hong Kong on July 30 from Shanghai at 6.00 a.m. and leaves for Manila the same day at 5.00 p.m.

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"NO STRIP WIFE FOR OUR JOHN"

"We won't have this strip-tease woman re-marrying our John," is the Barrymore family ultimatum to red-haired twenty-year-old Elaine Barrie, after John had announced his intention of re-wedding her.

The Barrymores—all save fifty-four-year-old John—are shocked by Elaine's film "How to Undress in Front of Your Husband."

She got "more than four figures" for this one-reel scanties epic, and is now to repeat the performance in a vaudeville tour.

The Barrymores have not seen the film, but they sent an emissary to see John and persuade him not to remarry the girl who has just secured a divorce for extra money after five months marriage.

The Barrymores—aristocratic Hollywood clan—have been told that the climax of Elaine's performance is when she whirls round, her nightgown falling over her as her underclothes drop to her feet. She then bows deeply and hops into bed.

Use Of East Indies Aerodromes By British

London, To-day.

The critical situation in North China has led to sudden conclusion of a military defence agreement between Britain, Australia and the Netherlands.

So allege several London newspapers, which state that negotiations for such a pact, which have been going on for some time, were brought to a conclusion following the serious prospects of a Sino-Japanese clash with its consequent possible repercussions.

Main clause in the agreement, the papers state, is the strategically important Dutch East Indies.

Great Britain, it is reported, has not only promised to protect the Dutch islands but has been promised in return full use of the many military flying fields established there by the Dutch.

STRONG DUTCH FORCE

The Dutch have a strong air force stationed in the islands, mainly consisting of fast American bombers, which would be placed at the disposal of the British authorities in the event of war breaking out in the Far East.

The present British plan in the event of war, states the paper, provides for reinforcement of the R.A.F. in the Far East from India and Mesopotamia.

Now she can also draw on the Dutch resources in the East Indies, where a formidable air force is stationed which would prove a decided thorn in the side of an aggressor.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY NATIONALISES ORE INDUSTRY

Berlin, To-day.

General Hermann Goering has issued an important statement to the German iron industry.

He said that as a member of the Four-Year Plan he had formed a company which, under State guidance, would control, open up and exploit iron ore resources in Germany to the extent demanded by the requirements of national economy.

This company would have its headquarters in Berlin.—Trans-Ocean.

International Air Rally

Zurich, To-day.

The Swiss President, Dr. Giuseppe Moth, gave a reception here yesterday in honour of a large gathering of airmen who are participating in the International Air Rally.

Captain Clement of France, won the trophy for sports and tourist planes.—Trans-Ocean.

ANOTHER DESERTION FROM GENEVA

Salvador, To-day.

San Salvador has followed the example of the other Central American countries and has withdrawn from the League of Nations.

Decision for the step was taken during a meeting of the Cabinet on Saturday.—Trans-Ocean.

KING LEOPOLD IN PARIS

Paris, To-day.

King Leopold of the Belgians, accompanied by his brother, the Count of Flanders, arrived here on Saturday on an official State visit.

After attending a reception in his honour given by the French Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos, King Leopold had lunch with President Albert Lebrun.

In the afternoon he paid a visit to the Belgian Pavilion at the Paris Exhibition.—Trans-Ocean.

Leban Parliament Dissolved

Beirut, To-day.

The Parliament of the Mandated Republic of Lebanon has been dissolved by decree of the Lebanon President.—Trans-Ocean.

The P. and O. s.s. "Santhia" will leave Amoy for this port on the 28th instant and is due here on the 29th instant.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Japan" arrived at Kobe yesterday and is due at Shanghai on Tuesday.

The P. and O. s.s. "Nalae" left Molt for this port on the 28th instant and is due here on the 29th instant.

The B.I. Steamship "Santhia" will leave for Singapore and ports on about Saturday, July 31, at 10 a.m.

DESPERATE BATTLE IN HEAT WAVE ON MADRID FRONT

BRUNETE FALLS TO NATIONALISTS BUT IS RE-CAPTURED

Troops stripped to the waist fought in a temperature of 100 degrees in the shade yesterday in the desperate battle which has been raging between nationalists and Republicans for possession of Brunete, the important strategic town west of Madrid.

Originally held by the loyalists, the town fell to the insurgent drive yesterday, admits a Spanish Government communique, but was recaptured after a costly counter-attack by the Madrid forces.

Earlier reports from Salamanca foreshadowed capture by General Franco's forces of this strategic centre, for possession of which thousands of men have lost their lives in vain assaults.

Capture of Brunete followed a smashing attack by sixty insurgent battalions along the River Paralejos.

The infantry were supported by 40 bombers and tanks.

ADVANCE FROM TWO SIDES

The attack was preceded by a heavy artillery fire, after which the troops advanced on Brunete from two sides.

On the Terner front the nationalists are continuing to meet with success, and have captured several loyalist trench systems on the Cuenca border.

On the Santander front things were quieter, skirmishing being the only military operations. — Renter and Trans-Ocean.

TRAMP SHIPPING AGREEMENT

London, To-day.

British owners of tramp ships have reached a decision to continue on a voluntary basis the measures of co-operation which originated as a condition of the Government subsidy in 1935.

The scheme of co-operation provides for the observance of minimum freight rates and conditions, standard forms of charter and National Maritime Board agreements, and regulation of tonnage.

The subsidy scheme is still in operation but owing to the improvement in the demand for tonnage and the higher freight rates, it is quite likely that the sum of £2,000,000 which had been set aside for the present year will not need to be used. — British Wire-less.

BOY SCOUTS FUNDS SHAKY

London, To-day.

Indication that the Boy Scout organisation is seriously in need of funds to bolster up somewhat shaky finances, was made by the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, yesterday.

Talking to newspapermen, "B.P." said: "We have never had to ask for funds before but somehow or other we have got to raise money."

"There has been a large drain on our resources owing to vastly increased membership." — Renter.

Rebels Capture Soviet Steamer

Gibraltar, To-day.

Insurgent armed traders yesterday stopped the Soviet steamer "Varlaamonesov" in the Straits of Gibraltar and escorted her into Ceuta. — Renter.

FAKIR OF IPI ON WARPATH AGAIN

Calcutta, To-day.

The Fakir of Ipi's followers have appeared in considerable force in the region between Bahadras and the Shaktu River, where they are now seriously hampering the work of road construction undertaken in that district by gangs of native workers.

The tribesmen yesterday made a sudden attack on an Anglo-Indian military guard protecting the native workers, in which one British officer and two Indian soldiers were wounded.

Road-making operations in the area have been suspended until the arrival of reinforcements. — Trans-Ocean.

Stalin's Bloody Balance Sheet

Paris, To-day.

"The balance sheet in the two months clean up in the Soviet," is the heading under which an article appears in "Le Journal" yesterday on the latest series of Stalinist "purges."

Since the execution of Marshal Tudachevsky, the paper says, no fewer than nine Ministers, five Ambassadors and leading journalists, have been "sacrificed" by Stalin in his "pitiless purge." — Trans-Ocean.

TERRIBLE TOLL— IN RAID ON BARCELONA

Barcelona, To-day.

Sixty-five were killed and 150 injured in an air raid on Barcelona at 3.35 yesterday morning by five insurgent planes, which flew low over the centre of the city in brilliant moonlight and dropped a score of bombs.

Anti-aircraft and machine guns fired at the raiders, apparently without success. — Renter.

DRAMA IN GERMAN MOTOR RACE

Berlin, To-day.

Thrills galore marked the motor race for the Grand Prix of Germany yesterday, when an Auto-Union driven by a German entry crashed while travelling at high speed on the seventh round of the track into a Mercedes-Benz driven by an Englishman.

The German was picked up suffering from a fractured thigh and concussion of the brain, and the Englishman had his arm broken.

An Italian entry also crashed but escaped without injuries.

Rudolf Carracciola, in a Mercedes-Benz, won the coveted trophy, the race for which was watched by a crowd of 300,000.

The winner averaged 133.2 kilometres an hour over the 561 kilometre course. Second was another Mercedes-Benz and third an Auto-Union. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW ITALIAN BATTLESHIP LAUNCHED

Trieste, To-day.

Italy's first 35,000-ton battleship, the "Vittorio Veneto," was launched yesterday in the presence of the King and Queen of Italy and a crowd of 45,000.

The ceremony was performed by a dockyard worker on Signor Mussolini's suggestion.

The new battleship had been completed in the record time of nineteen months and is part of the Duce's plan for complete Italian domination of the Mediterranean.

The launching yesterday will be followed in the near future by the launching of a similar type of warship, the "Littorio." — Renter and Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET SOLDIERS WANT LONGER SERVICE

Moscow, Yesterday.

Soldiers of the Red Army are apparently in favour of a longer term of military service, according to a broadcast made here to-day.

The movement started in the non-commissioned officers' ranks and now has spread to privates throughout the Army.

The broadcast also stated that recruits in the Donetz Basin, who should normally have been called up next Autumn, have voluntarily requested to be authorised to join the colours at an earlier date. — Trans-Ocean.

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Britain's New Social Experiment

MANY of those in England who are talking just now about community-centres do not realise that the name, and perhaps the idea which it expresses, came from the Western Hemisphere.

In the United States and Canada there have been, within the last 25 years, numerous scattered attempts to create focal points round which the affairs of the district might naturally group themselves. It might be the little red school-house at the crossroads, or a field house in a Chicago park, or a building specially planned to serve the social needs of residents in a small town.

Sometimes the centre has represented a conscious effort to preserve a little of the racial culture of a section of the European-born population. In England, the racial question does not arise so obviously, though even now there is talk of a community centre in London to draw together the thousands of Welsh ex-coalminers who have escaped the rigors of prolonged unemployment by migrating to other occupations in the metropolis. So we may yet hear, in some unexpected corner of Cockneyland, the strains of *Ar Hyd y Nos*, or *Ton-y-Botel*, reminding us that the Welsh folk are great at community singing.

The welcome improvement in the economic situation is producing another type of community centre, also. In the depth of the depression there sprang up, all over the country, numbers of clubs in which unemployed men found occupation for their enforced leisure, and fellowship, too. With the return of prosperity, many of the men who are now in work again are pursuing, in the evenings, the hobbies which they originally took up as a means of filling the long empty hours of involuntary idleness; not only so, but they are bringing their wives and families also to the clubs, which are thus becoming centres for the whole community.

Chiefly, however, community centres have come into prominence in connection with the new housing areas which have sprung up on the outskirts of London and other large cities in Britain as a result of the slum clearance campaign. These new estates, as they are called, are, in fact, small towns containing from 5,000 to 50,000 inhabitants, but they differ from other towns in that they are created artificially, built in a few weeks or months, and are immediately filled by people who are strangers to one another. Hence the residents on one of these estates, having lost in a night, as it were, all their old ties with the churches, clubs, shops, and even cinemas in the neighbourhoods they have left, feel the urge to create for themselves a new set of friends, a new neighbourhood consciousness, a new community.

Impelled partly by this need, partly, perhaps, by a reaction against what many feel to be the over-mechanisation of work, and of play, people are beginning to provide their own forms of recreation.

Ten years ago, residents on the Watling estate, near London, started to raise money for a building fund. It was slow work, for the industrial tide was at the ebb,

and the neighbourhood contained no rich folk at all. It is a feature of these new estates that the municipalities which have built them have deliberately provided houses suitable only for manual workers earning relatively low wages. But five years' strenuous effort brought its fruitage in the

shape of a bank balance of about £500, and this resolute example of self-help was rewarded by substantial assistance from the Pilgrim Trust, a body formed to administer a large sum of money given by an American citizen, Mr. E. M. Harkness, toward the social development of Great Britain. The trustees, one of whom was then Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, saw that here was a totally new and

immensely valuable social experiment. So the first community centre was opened in January, 1933, by the then Prince of Wales, and all the members, men, women, and children, immediately proved to be a priceless boon to the neighbourhood—so living by manual labour much so that its accommodation has been overtaxed from the start, and an extension is now being planned.

By Eyre Sandford Carter

A glance at the programme of events carried on at the Watling Centre shows the variety of interests for which it caters. A music-lovers' group takes a room once a month, to be followed by classes in French and German. The Women's Neighbourhood Guild has weekly meetings at which every subject under the sun seems to be discussed—Chinese art, "What shall my child do when he leaves school?"

modern English literature, prison reform, current international events, and a host of others, and all the members, men, women, and children, immediately proved to be a priceless boon to the neighbourhood—so living by manual labour much so that its accommodation has been overtaxed from the start, and an extension is now being planned.

The significant thing in all this is that these activities have been made possible not only because there is accommodation for them in the centre, but far more because those taking part in them have a definite responsibility for their organisation and management. The community centre is much more than a building; it is the home of the social and cultural life of the district. It is theirs, because they control it. For this purpose they have formed themselves into a community association, which is a federation of all the groups whose pursuits comprise the programme described. The federation is solely responsible for the use and upkeep of the centre, through an executive officer, the secretary of the association.

THE WORLD GOES BY By "ULYSSES"

NOTHING doing to-day. I don't mind "cleaning the windows" and "polishing up the knocker of the big front door" but I am not going to write this column any more. It bores me. It bores everybody. I am therefore going to be fashionable and come out on strike. On second thoughts, a sit-down strike, as being far less energetic.

Reporters Get Busy

In connection with the declaration of a strike by Ulysses, a reporter of the "China Mail" has interviewed various prominent citizens to ascertain their views and opinions as to the probable effects of the occurrence. As was expected, these views and opinions were very various.

Relieved

One taipan, on being informed, merely said: "For this relief much thanks." Several local financiers expressed themselves similarly. A high Government official, approached by the same reporter, asked "What or who is Ulysses?" On being informed, he remarked that he had nothing to say.

At The University

The big shots at the University were frankly dismayed, and said that if the strike continued for any length of time the cause of education in the Colony might be irreparably injured. They explained that a course in Ulysses had become an essential preliminary to successful matriculation. Several schoolmasters offered similar opinions.

Effect On Morals

A well-known Sunday-school teacher said he was grieved to hear of it. This was the first he had heard of it, and he hoped it might not be true. He said it was generally recognised that the moral in-

fluence of Ulysses was now indispensable to the promotion of local righteousness.

In The Clubs

Something like consternation was manifested in the reading rooms of the various clubs, although the secretary of one such institution admitted that so far as he was concerned he was glad of it, as he was tired of seeing the members fighting for possession of the "China Mail" each evening.

Up The Line

At all the railway stations on the railway line to Canton, passengers were putting anxious faces out and asking the stationmasters along the route if the news was true.

Government To Intervene?

The consensus of public opinion is that Government ought to intervene, in the interests of the public, as such a deprivation at this particular time of international crisis might have the most harmful results upon the public health and well-being.

The Markets

The exchange market has collapsed, the dollar being quoted at somewhere round Minus 6d. Ice House Street is buzzing with anxious brokers. Wall Street has panicked. Lombard Street is flurried. Another Depression looks like setting in.

The Latest

As we go to press we understand that negotiation between Ulysses and the proprietors of the "China Mail" for settlement of the dispute have been successful, and that Ulysses will appear as usual to-morrow.

In this last point there is an illustration of the happy partnership which has sprung up between such voluntary institutions as community associations and the established machinery of local government. The education committee of the County Council, as soon as they became aware of the benefits which the community centre was conferring on the neighbourhood, realised that this was just as legitimate a charge on civic funds as the cost of running a public school, and they made a grant of three quarters of the secretary's salary, the remainder being given from another well-known benevolent trust, that founded by Andrew Carnegie.

The force of these examples has not been lost on civic authorities. Sheffield municipality in 1933, and Birmingham, Leeds, and Salford in 1936, have each made a beginning with one community hall—a beginning only, since Birmingham, for instance, has more than a dozen large housing estates, every one of which needs a centre of its own. The last few months, however, have seen a great awakening, and a score of cities are now planning community centres which shall be really adequate to the needs of their respective neighbourhoods.

The British Government has acknowledged the national value of the community centre movements, for it presented to Parliament a bill to promote physical training and all forms of recreation by means of clubs and community centres, not only on new housing estates, but in any district where present facilities are inadequate. Grant aid from the national exchequer, to the tune of £2,000,000, will be given to municipalities and voluntary organisations which put up satisfactory schemes.

This widespread support not only shows that the pioneer achievements at Watling and elsewhere were on the right lines, but it involves a recognition of the fact that a community centre, whether in village or in town, whether in a new district or an old-established one, is more than a place. It is an idea and an ideal, constructive, energizing, vital, teaching citizens what it really means to be neighbours and "members of another."

Bombing Of Chinese Barracks In North China

FIGHTING BREAKS OUT AGAIN AT LANFANG

FEARED PRELUDE TO OPERATIONS ON LARGE SCALE

Peace in North China, which has been trembling in the balance for several days in spite of the alleged signing of an agreement between General Sung Cheh-yuan and the Japanese, was shattered this morning when the opposing forces again clashed.

For the first time in the present affair the Japanese air force went into action in support of the infantry operations, a terse Reuter report from Tientsin, via Tokyo, stating that Japanese planes bombed the Chinese barracks at Lanfang, where fighting between the opposing infantry forces is still going on.

Lanfang is a town situated midway between Peiping and Tientsin, and is an important concentration centre for the Chinese forces.

Resumption of the fighting, and the fact that Japanese planes are participating, tends to indicate that to-day's clash is merely the prelude to fighting on a large scale.

SHANGHAI TENSION DECREASES

Meanwhile tension in Hongkew, Shanghai, where, following the alleged kidnapping of Sadao Miyazaki, a bluejacket of the Japanese garrison, a state of near panic had arisen, has relaxed somewhat in spite of the failure of the Japanese to trace the victim of the reported abduction.

The Japanese garrison patrols, which took complete possession of Hongkew on Saturday night, have now withdrawn to barracks, and the only Japanese armed forces on the streets are the normal pickets at street corners.

Mr. Okamoto, the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai, yesterday called on Mr. O. K. Yui, Mayor of Greater Shanghai, and requested Chinese co-operation in the search for the missing bluejacket. —Our Own Correspondent.

NANKING NOT TO APPROVE

Troops To Remain In Present Positions

Peiping, To-day.

Semi-official reports state that after receiving the report of General Hsiung Ping, Deputy Chief of General Staff in Nanking, the Nanking Government has determined not to approve the North China local agreement as arranged by General Sung Cheh-yuan and the Japanese authorities there.

General Sung has been instructed not to withdraw any further pending fresh instructions from the Central Government.

It is stated that the attitude of the Nanking Government will be announced as soon as General Hsiung returns to the Capital.

Meanwhile the situation in East Suiyuan has become critical again. It is reported that three divisions of Japanese and Manchukuo troops

from Jehol are going westward to concentrate in Shangtu with the intention of invading Suiyuan. —Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE MOVING SUPPLIES

Shortage Of Flour At Tunghsien

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese military activity is still proceeding in Peiping and Tientsin and a fleet of forty six-wheeled lorries loaded with war supplies arrived at Tunghsien from Tientsin yesterday under guard.

There is a scarcity of flour in Tunghsien, supplies from Tientsin having been cut off, and all wheat in the market has come from Chinwangtao.

Since resumption of traffic on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, Peiping has returned to normal and it is reported that the city is outwardly peaceful. —Da-Dao.

FOOD RATIONING MEASURES

Precautionary Move By Canton

Canton, To-day.

Full preparations for rationing in case emergency arises are being made in Canton. Some months ago when rice price in Kwangtung soared to a record level, a commission was formed by a resolution of the Provincial Government, under the name of the "Food-Controlling Board." The crisis in North China has made preparations for rationing imperative and they have now been placed in the hands of this Board.

Interviewed by Da-Dao, Mr. Chang Pei-chuan, secretary of the Provincial Government, who is a member of the Board, declared measures for food-controlling will be taken when emergency arises. Important factors under discussion by the Board are (1) centralisation of foodstuffs (2) regulating of food prices (3) strict prohibition of smuggling. —Da-Dao.

NANKING'S WAR PREPARATIONS

Military Activity In North

Hankow, To-day.

War materials are being rushed to the theatre of trouble in North China and corps of the Central Army are steadily converging on strategic points in various parts of the country.

Reliable reports reaching here indicate that General Li Mu-an's 10th Division on Saturday passed Changchow, key town in North Honan, on the way to Shihchiachwang, in West Hopei, along the Peiping-Hankow Railway.

General Wan Yao-huang's 13th Division, normally stationed at Sian, has been massed at Tungkuang, on the eastern frontier of Shensi, in readiness to move towards Shihchiachwang.

The Central Army's 14th Division has reached Wuchang and is expected to move northward in the immediate future. Various other units stationed in southern and northern Hupeh are said to have received orders to concentrate near here.

General Yu Tsi-shih's 58th Division and General Hsia Chu-shung's 97th Division are at present along the Yangtze opposite here. They are understood to be guarding fortifications in the Wu-Han area. —Union News.

MORE SILVER FOR HONG KONG

\$13,000,000 On Dollar Liner

Shanghai, To-day.

Despite the reported brightening of the prospects of an eventual settlement, the financial authorities of the National Government are taking strict precautions to safeguard specie holdings against emergencies.

It is revealed that the Central Bank of China, has loaded \$13,000,000 in silver on a Dollar liner. Closely following a shipment aboard the Empress of Russia, the night

BRITISH SHIP BOMBED BY MYSTERY PLANES

London, To-day.

A report received by Lloyd's of London says that the British steamer "St. Quentin," a 3,500-ton freighter, has been attacked by unidentified aeroplanes and damaged. One of the bulkheads is reported to have collapsed and the ship is becoming waterlogged. —Trans-Ocean.

present consignment is expected to be taken to Hong Kong to be stored there pending settlement of the Sino-Japanese situation.

It is reported that a third shipment of silver specie is to be made shortly to America in accordance with the Sino-American silver agreement. It will be exchanged for gold to add to the fund held abroad to guarantee the Chinese currency.

It is also revealed that the Farmers Bank of China recently shipped \$20,000,000 worth of silver abroad in the strictest secrecy as a precaution against the North China crisis. —Union News.

MILITARY ATTACHES NERVOUS

Families Sent To Tientsin

Peiping, To-day.

Some of the foreign military attaches are apparently nervous over the Sino-Japanese situation and have already sent members of their families to Tientsin.

Foreign residents have removed their personal belongings into the Legation quarters. —Da-Dao.

TIME NOT YET RIPE

Japanese Failure To Withdraw

Peiping, To-day.

"The time is not yet ripe for our withdrawal," declared Colonel Kanai, official spokesman of the Japanese Headquarters, in an interview with a war correspondent yesterday morning.

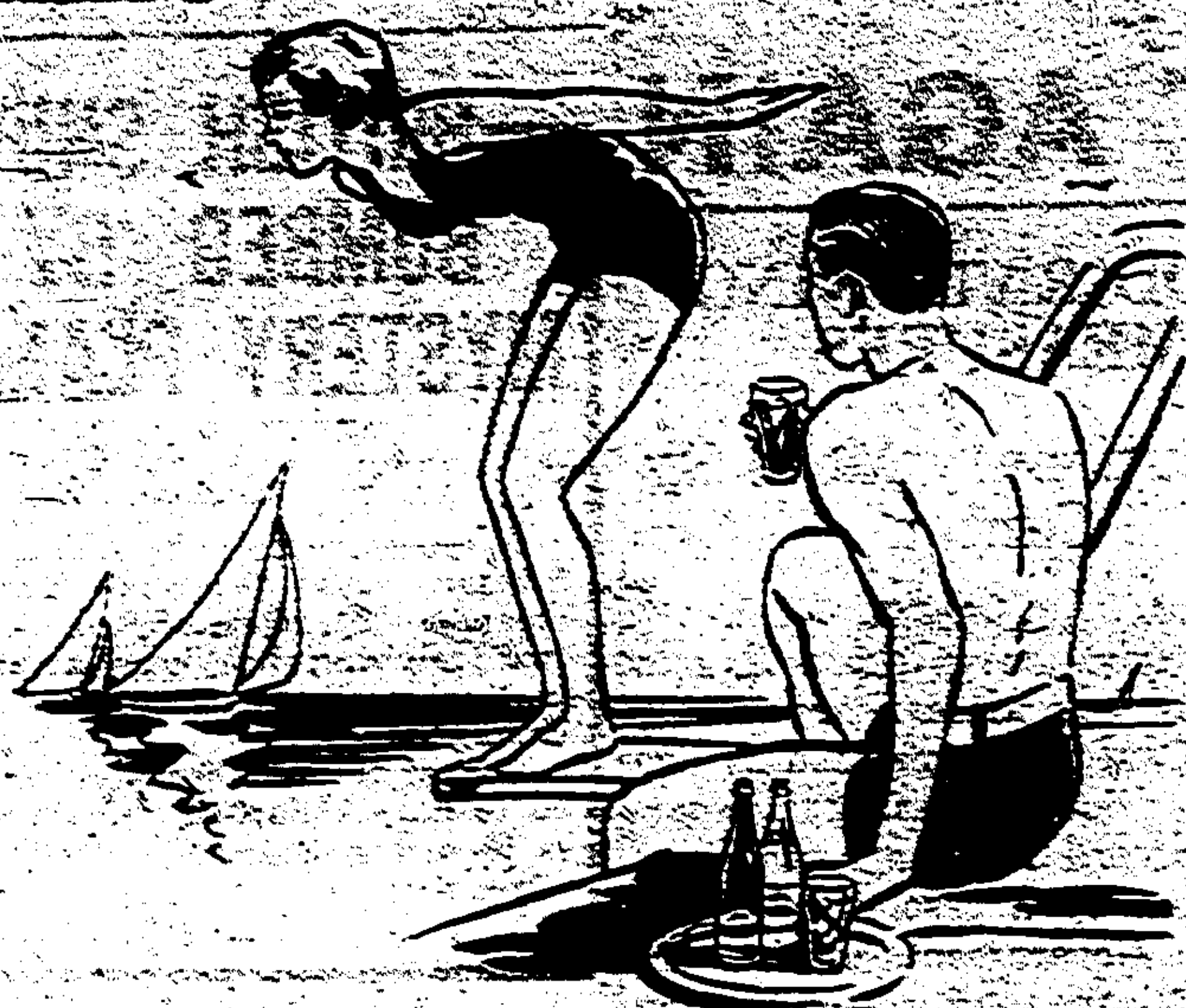
"The Chinese are to withdraw first," he continued, "and they have to withdraw to our satisfaction. Our new reinforcements which arrive at the Chinese ports represent only a portion of our forces that have been despatched."

After three days of "so-called" truce at the Linkouichiao and Nan-yuan fronts the Japanese are making better preparations. Their trenches at Tacheng and Hsiao-cheng are not yet completed.

The Japanese forces concentrated at these two villages number well over three thousand. Their mortar positions are placed at every point of importance, all pointing to Wangping.

Many sections of the Japanese were supposed to withdraw by yesterday according to the truce agreement, but they remain where they were, without the least sign of movement.

It is alleged that the Japanese withdrew a small portion of their forces during the day time, but heavily and hurriedly reinforce at night. —Da-Dao.



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CHINA, JAPAN, AND "FACE"

No matter which way either China or Japan turns and no matter how frequent are what may be termed the procrastinations, events seem to be forcing them willy-nilly into open conflict. "Face" holds all the cards, unfortunately. National prestige demands that Japan force her demands upon China. Popular sentiment compels China's resistance.

It seems plain, though details are still very uncertain, that Japan has served on Sung Chien-yuan a collection of peace terms, which by their ambiguity are so far-reaching in implication that Chinese public opinion and a large majority of Nanking Government opinion would prefer war to acceptance. And Japan, for several reasons, does not desire war. So the problem really is that of bringing back a more normal atmosphere into Sino-Japanese relations without loss of "face."

The Japanese Government has endeavoured to make a trivial grievance the basis for settlement of a wide variety of disputed political and economic issues in its favour. Despite the secrecy, it is generally believed that the Japanese demands include wider autonomy for North China, Sino-Japanese co-operation against communism, and rigorous suppression of anti-Japanese propaganda.

The Chinese position is that there can be question of signing on the dotted line in acceptance of a list of unrelated demands, some of which are so vaguely phrased that an aggressive Japanese Government might interpret them in the future as granting Japan the right to treat China almost as a protectorate. "Co-operation against communism," for instance, might be construed as authorisation for Japan to dispatch troops to any part of China where Communists may be active.

Japan does not want war with China because it might lead to international complications and because the conquest and occupation of all China would be impossible, while the holding and parading of a few strategic ports and large cities in the long run would be both a political and a financial liability. It remains to be seen whether Nanking can be persuaded to overlook the concessions alleged to have been extorted in North China.

Britain is trying again to solve the non-intervention problem but whether it will succeed with Italy worried about the influence of agreement on the Berlin-Rome axis is the point at issue.

The breaking of the "neutral ring" around Spain following so closely upon the fall of Plymouth is warning that such a break might be taken by Britain as a signal to begin supplying the Loyalists with arms, and thus seeming like still another rebuff from Germany to British efforts to improve relations with that country, were more to Premier Mussolini's advantage than to Chancellor Hitler's. For Germany has something to gain from cultivating British sympathy. Italy has nothing to gain, and perhaps something to lose, if British-German sympathies are more closely welded.

Whatever the fate of the Eden plan, the capture of Bilbao by the Spanish Insurgents has clearly had much to do with developments. A few weeks ago influential opinion in Germany was openly favouring a liquidation of German interests in the Spanish war. To-day the German view, as reflected in reports from Berlin, is that the inability of the non-intervention group to exercise authority in the manner Germany deems proper must extinguish hopes for the success of British efforts to bring about an armistice.

Any sudden and overt Italo-German move to smash the ring around Spain would, of course, carry all the impact of surprise which has so often characterised the recent diplomacy of these nations. The success of such diplomacy naturally depends on the ability of those at whom it is directed to continue to be surprised, and better still bewildered. A stiffening attitude in Great Britain seems to indicate that the effect of surprise in that country is changing. It is an indication not to be overlooked.

Poetry Plays, And Pays

An unusual thing has happened in the world of the European theatre. An Englishman, assisted by an American, has made dramatic poetry pay. Mr. Ashley Dukes some time ago established the Mercury Theatre for the presentation of poetical plays, and so great has been the success of his venture that he is now able to announce that his organisation is firmly grounded on financial prosperity, and indeed is already contemplating considerable extensions.

In large measure this is due to the enormous popularity that has attended the performances of Mr. T. S. Eliot's play about Thomas a Becket, "Mander in the Cathedral", and it is gratifying to all those concerned for the welfare of English literature that the Mercury has already produced at least one other poetic play of great merit.

The true scope of this achievement can be seen when it is recollected that John Drinkwater, himself a poet, declared at Malvern in 1921 that the British theatrical public would not stand poetry at any price. It is a commonplace of dramatic history that such as plays make the theatre, so that it is possible that the Mercury may sail into being a body of work of which future ages will be proud.

ENDING CHAOS IN AIR DEFENCE

Major Task Which Confronts M. Neville Chamberlain

UNITED CONTROL OF R.A.F.

United control of the Nation's air defences—at present in the chaotic hands of six separate and conflicting authorities—is one of the problems of major importance engaging the attention of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Britain's Premier.

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE HAS BEEN STRIVING TO OBTAIN SUCH CONTROL, IN THE FACE OF OPPOSITION OF THE BRASSHATS OF THE OTHER AND OLDER FIGHTING SERVICES.

BELGIUM TAKES FRENCH FISHERY TRAWLERS

Paris, To-day.
A dispute between France and Belgium over fishing rights seems probable after the capture by Belgian fishery protection vessels on Saturday of two French trawlers. The trawlers are now under guard in a Belgian port.—Trans-Ocean.

MENACE TO RUSSIAN ECONOMIC PLAN

Moscow, To-day.
Arrears in production in several branches of industry in Russia, says "Pravda," is proving a menace to carrying out of the economic plan for 1937.

The journal complains that the coal, naphtha, timber, chemical, metallurgical and light industries all show "disgraceful arrears."

This, says the paper, is owing to the activities of spies and other "noxious creatures."

The paper also announces that the director of the entire coal industry in the Donetz Basin, and a member of the Politbureau of the Bolshevik Party in the Ukraine, have been arrested and "unmasked as a detestable spy and enemy of the people"—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN FLYING VICTORY

In International Air Meet

Zurich, To-day.
Germany's leading stunt flyer, Count Hagenburg, yesterday won the stunt flying competition held here as part of the programme of the international air meeting.

Using his Bruecker-Jugrecister plane, he was accorded 158.05 points.

The Swiss airmen, Lt. Teneba and Lt. Hoering gained second and third places.

Count Hagenburg was third in another event in which competitors had to carry out specific performance but his audacious supply of stunting had given him a sufficient lead in points to give him the victory in all events.—Trans-Ocean.

Workmen spent two hours in removing three flags which Oxford undergraduates had hung on roof pinnacles of Keble College Chapel, about 120ft. high.

There is reason to believe that, under the new Premiership, the Royal Air Force will achieve its objective. The matter has, indeed, already received the consideration of Mr. Chamberlain.

Under existing conditions, the R.A.F. is responsible only for actual fighting in the air.

A divided Army has control of the ground organisation, the Royal Artillery being responsible for the anti-aircraft guns and the Royal Engineers for the searchlights, rangefinders, detectors, and other scientific apparatus.

But the highly necessary corps to handle the last-named classes of instruments is a purely civilian one.

Afloat, the Navy has its say—and the Home Office is charged with the control of all the measures designed to protect civilian life and property from the ravages of aerial bombardment and gas attacks.

Rival Elements

War, to-morrow, would leave the nation at the mercy of these rival and not co-ordinated elements. That such a system—or lack of system—has been allowed to develop, shows how little the nation's rulers have learned since the days of 1914.

Hope of change for the better comes with the R.A.F. plan, which, if Cabinet sanction is obtained, will enable it to take over the whole of the duties now so widely distributed.

But the R.A.F. will insist on a free hand, particularly in selecting and training men to work both the guns and the searchlights and auxiliary equipment.

The snag is that the Army is prepared to fight tooth and nail to retain its control of guns and searchlights.

FRANCO-JAPANESE RELATIONS "CLOUDY"

Paris, To-day.
"My whole task will be to deepen the cordial relations between France and Japan," declared the new Japanese Ambassador in Paris, Mr. Sekimura, to journalists here yesterday.

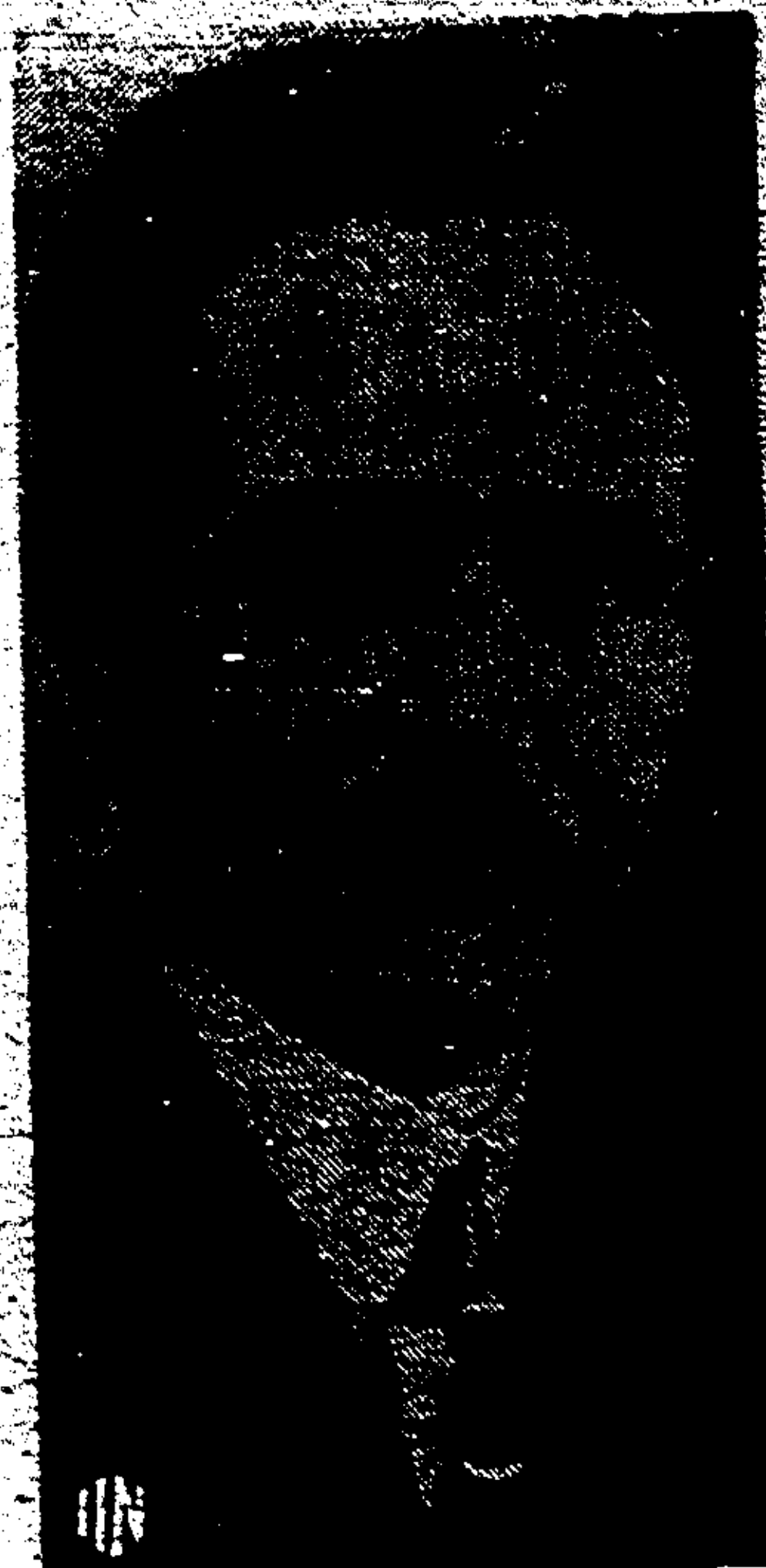
The Ambassador admitted, however, that the Franco-Soviet Pact and the Japan-Germany-Italy pact against Communism had somewhat clouded relations.

The Ambassador will present his credentials to President Albert Lebrun on July 28.—Trans-Ocean.

Work on the first section of a £250,000 scheme for rebuilding Castle Bromwich aerodrome into a great Air Ministry station has been commenced.

MUD-SLINGING IN FRENCH POLITICAL SPEECHES

M. CHAUTEUPS ATTACKS PARTY SYSTEM



M. Camille Chautemps, the French Premier, who yesterday launched a severe attack on the Party system in France.

Paris, To-day.
The Radical-Socialists are not prepared to endorse any extension of the Popular Front Programme, and will not seek to call a halt to all experiments in the domain of French finance and national economy.

So declared the Premier, M. Camille Chautemps, in a speech yesterday in which he claimed to have the entire French nation behind him. "All Frenchmen are aware," he declared, "that there can be no progress without ordered finances and increases in industrial output."

PARTY SYSTEM ATTACKED

He then launched a bitter attack on the party system. The political parties, he said, should remember that more important than their existence was the existence of the nation itself, for which the Government was responsible.

It should be known in France and abroad that the French Government would remain true to its Governmental declarations, and was firmly resolved to translate them into reality as the financial demanded.

At another political gathering yesterday, the leader of the Socialist Party hurled mud at the Radical-Socialists in a fiery speech.—Trans-Ocean.

Cammell Laird and Co., of Birkenhead, have received an order for a tanker of 12,250 tons deadweight from the British Tanker Co. Ltd.

Bayreuth Festival

Bayreuth, To-day.
Herr Hitler, Princess Marie of Savoy and ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria were among the distinguished visitors at the second day of the Bayreuth Festival, when "Lohengrin" was played.—Trans-Ocean.

ADVANCED SAILING

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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt is pictured with her dancing protégé, Roberta Jonay, 21-year-old Florida girl, at her debut in a popular midtown New York nightclub. The young dancer rehearsed her routine at the White House, where she was a guest during a two-week engagement in Washington.

In Wedding-of-the-Season



Pictured at the tea house adjoining the gardens of Owl's Nest, the estate of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene du Pont at Greenville, Del., are Ethel du Pont and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., prior to their wedding, June 30th.

ARREST OF SPANISH

Republican Crews Mutiny In Harbour

London, To-day.

The question of whether the bulk of the Spanish merchant navy is in support of the Government or General Franco is said to have raised a dispute which resulted in the arrest of seven Spanish ships in South Wales and a number of other British ports.

The dispute followed the alleged refusal of the owners to comply with the order of the Spanish Government for commandeering the vessels.

EGYPT HAILS RETURN OF KING FAROUK

Alexandria, To-day.

With his Coronation only four days ahead, striking scenes of loyalty marked the return to Egypt of King Farouk following his five-month visit to Europe.

Crowds lined the decorated route and cheered frantically as the King and other members of the Royal Family drove to the station en route to Cairo.

Bands of the various foreign communities paraded the streets, and there were resounding shouts of "Vive le Roi" and "This is our happiest day."

The special train which took the King to Cairo was escorted over-

head by Egyptian Air Force planes. Arrival in Cairo saw a repetition of the enthusiastic scenes in streets which were gaily decorated for the occasion. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

Most of the Spanish merchantmen are registered at Bilbao, and while the port was controlled by the Basque Government, no difficulties were encountered, but since it has been in General Franco's hands the owners appear to resent dictation by the Government.

At the instigation of the owners, writs have been served on those controlling the ships, which will not be allowed to leave port without the order of the Admiralty Court.

MUTINY IN HOLLAND

From Amsterdam comes a message reporting a similar state of affairs in Netherlands ports, where the owners of several Spanish ships, registered in Bilbao, have declared their intention of supporting General Franco.

The owners' decision has led to an outbreak of mutiny on several of the ships and police have im-

pounded the vessels. The dissatisfied crews are being sent to Valencia overland, while the ships will be sailed to Bilbao when relief crews arrive from national Spain. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

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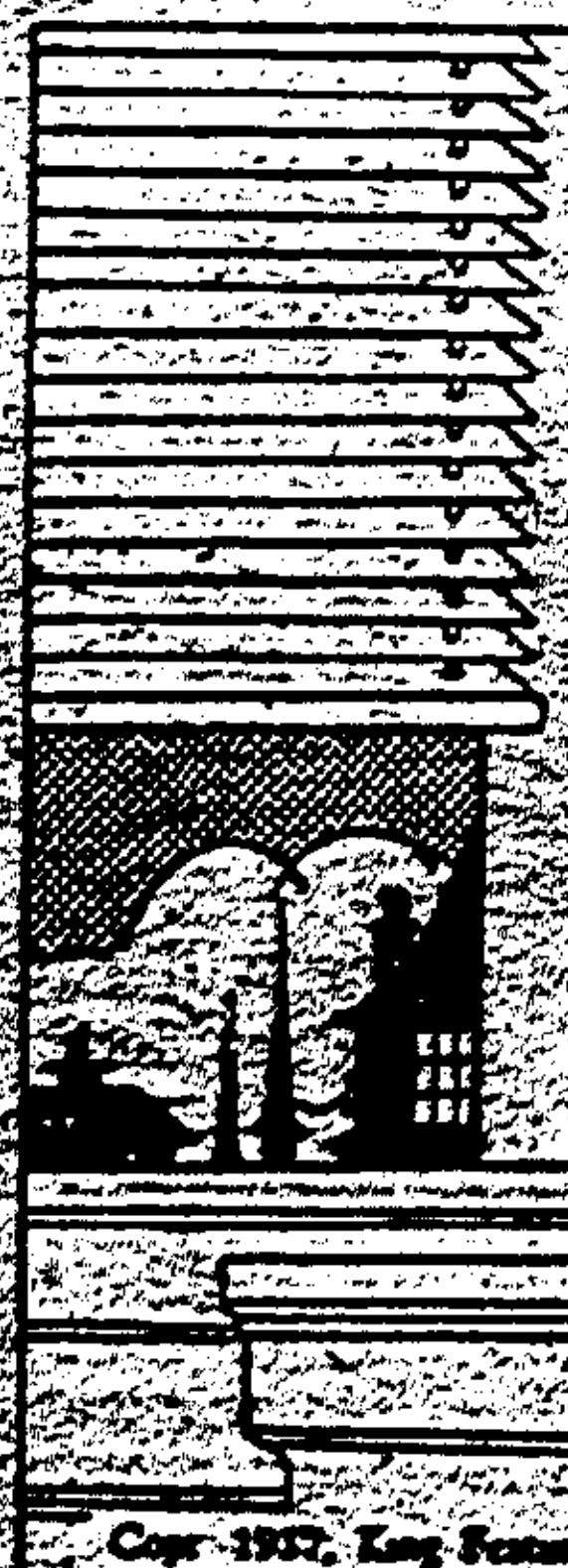
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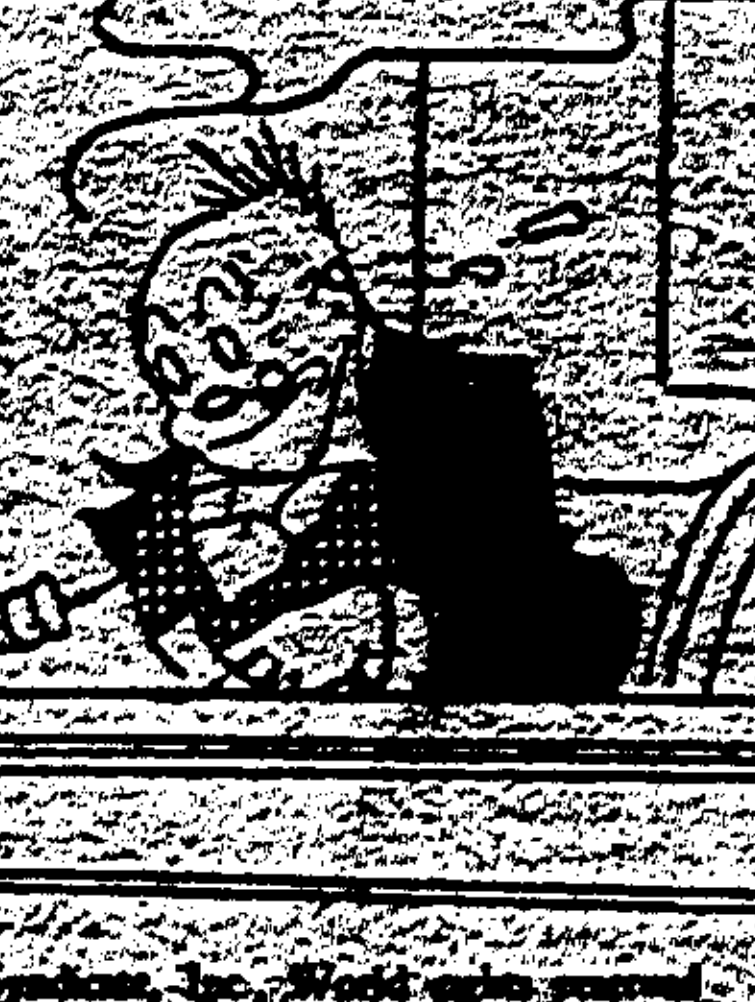
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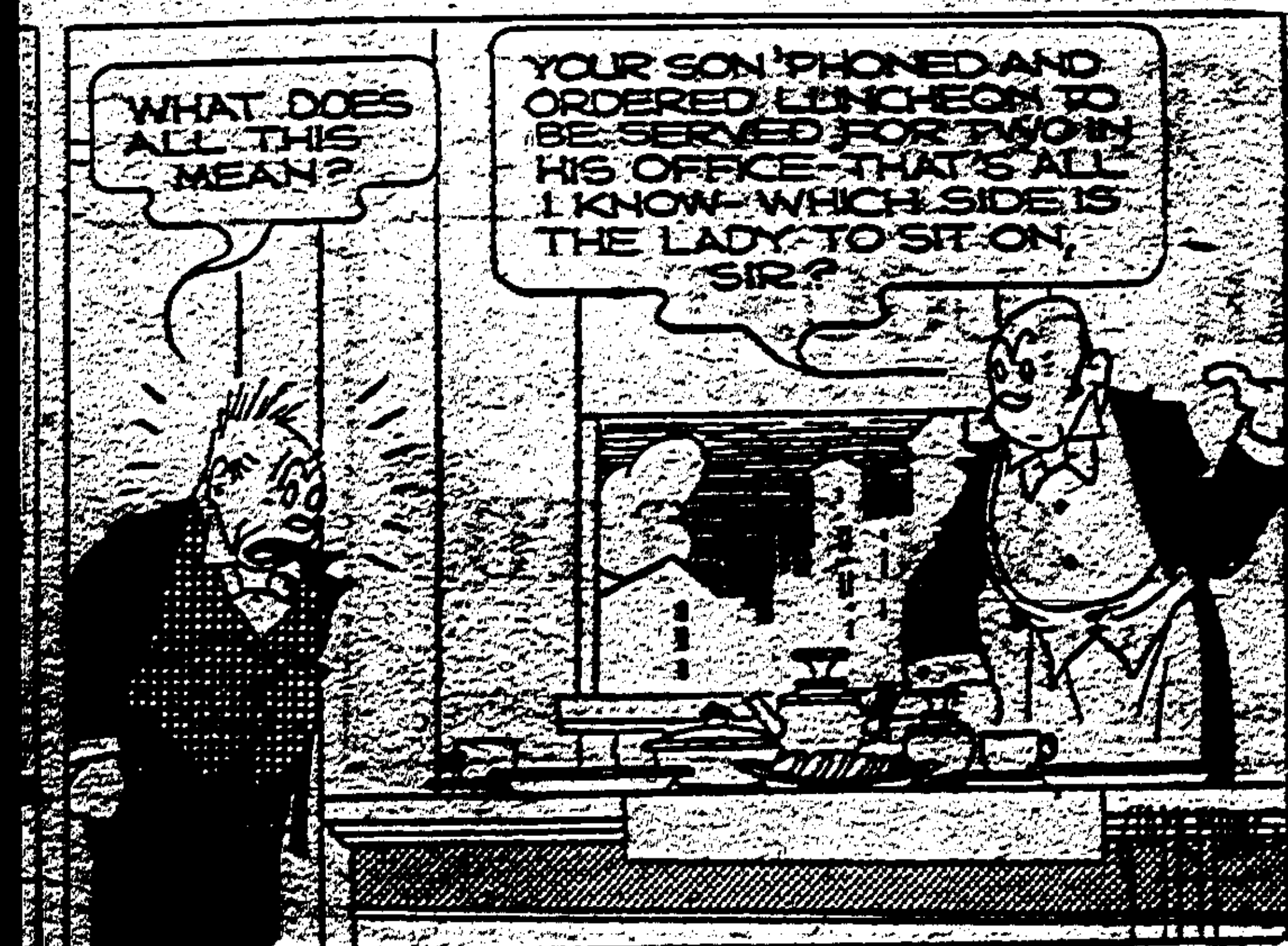
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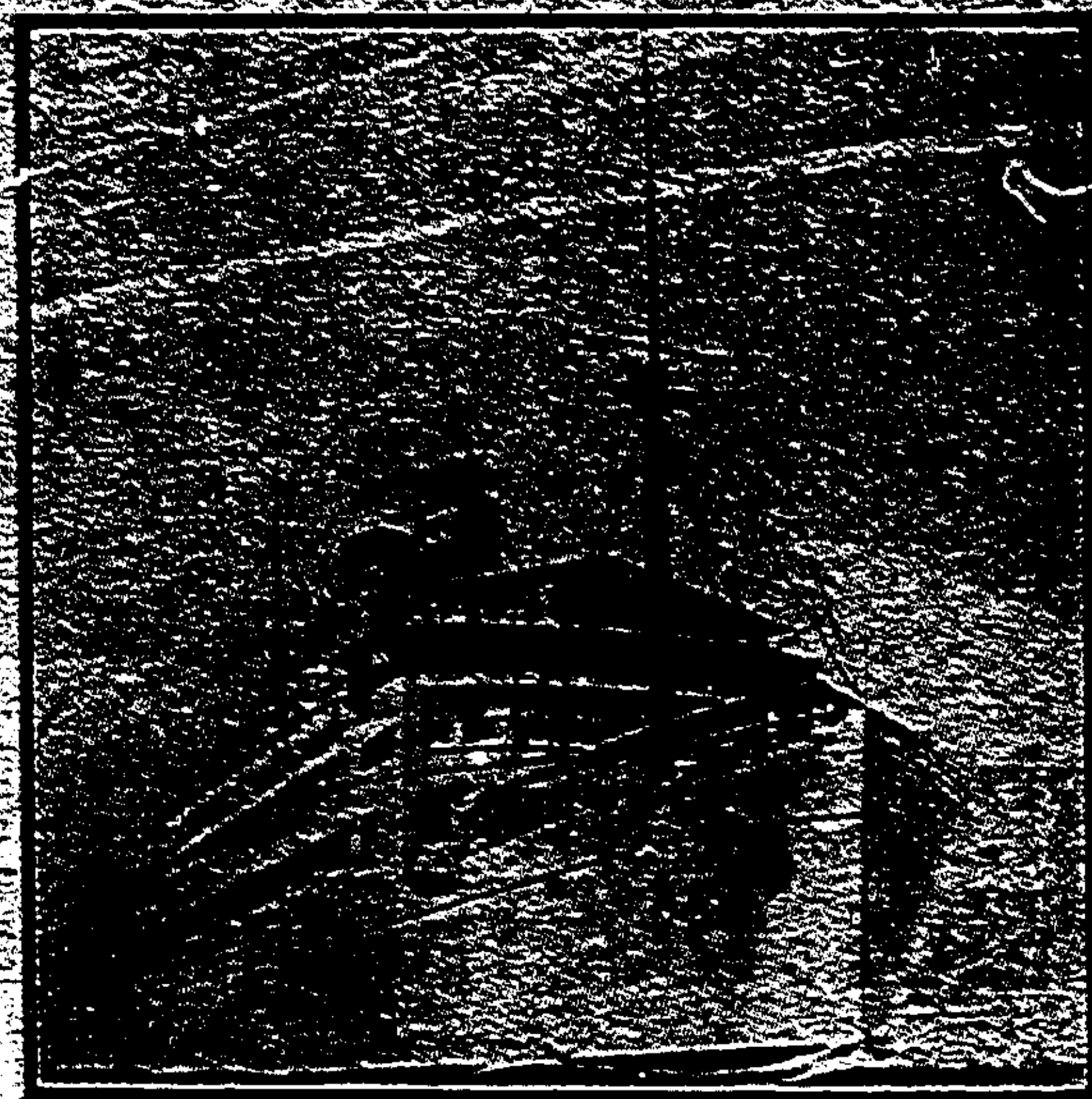
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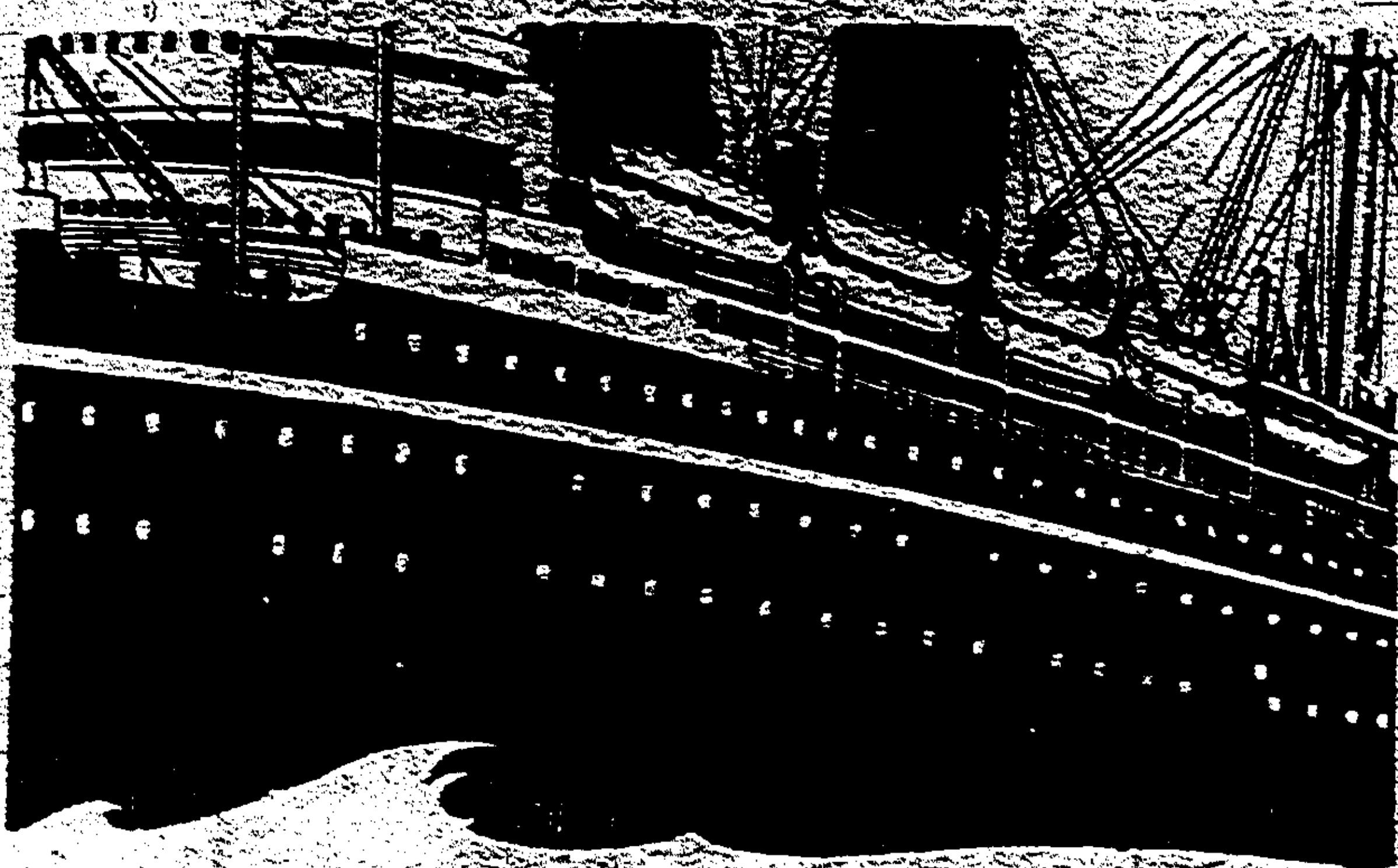
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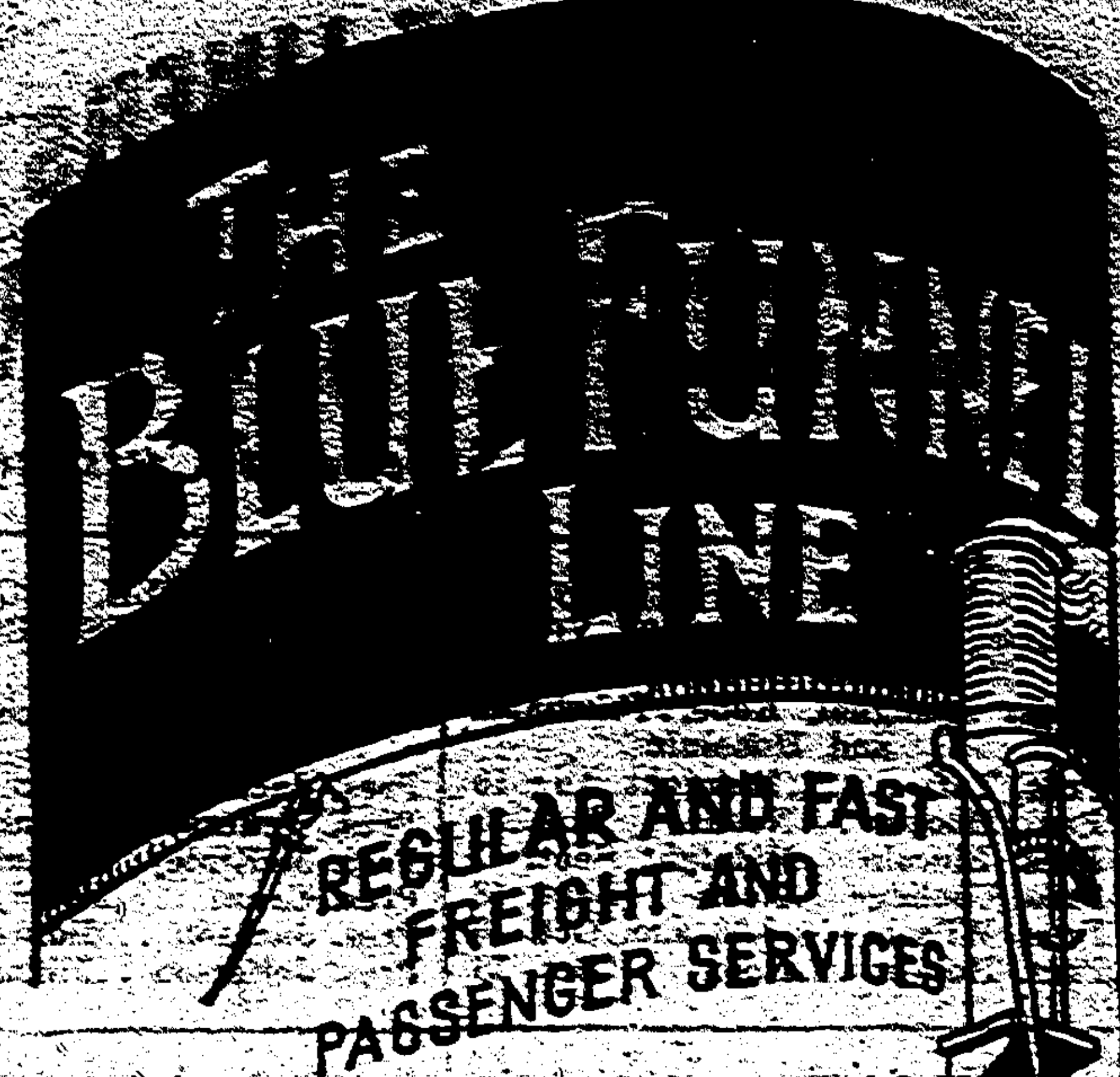
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In terms of local currency, therefore, the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 34.5 per cent. in the first half of the year as compared with the first half of last year, and by 51.3 per cent. as compared with the first six months of 1935.

Adverse Balance

The trade balance for the first six months of the present year showed an adverse balance of \$67,500,000, imports totalling \$236,400,000 and exports \$218,900,000.

In terms of Hong Kong currency imports of merchandise increased by 34.9 per cent. as compared with the first half year of 1936, and 49.8 per cent. as compared with the first half year of 1935; whilst exports increased by 33.9 per cent. as compared with the first half year of 1936, and 53.4 per cent. as compared with the first half year of 1935.

Imports of treasure totalled \$5.7 millions as compared with \$18.8 millions in the first half year of 1936, and \$24.7 millions in the first half year of 1935; and exports amounted to \$18.3 millions as compared with \$108.6 millions and \$37.9 millions respectively.

Imports into the Colony from the United Kingdom, Malaya, China (North and South), Indo-China, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands East Indies and the Philippines increased considerably, but imports from Siam and the United States showed a decline.

Exports from Hong Kong to the United Kingdom, Malaya, China, Indo-China, Japan, the Netherlands East Indies, Philippines, Siam and the United States registered increases.

LOCAL DOLLAR

London Silver Prices

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-19/22.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20 and "forward" at 20.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$19680 and the New York on London cross-rate at \$-U.S.\$4.97.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 29 b. Down ¼
Jan/March 29½ b. Down ¼
Apr/Sept 29½ b. Down ¼
Oct/Dec 29½ b. Down ¼
Market: Nominal



King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, who with the Queen yesterday watched the launching of the first 35,000-ton battleship by one of the workmen engaged in her construction.

HOLIDAYS WITH PAY

AUSTRIAN BARON'S SCHEME

CLAIM TO BANISH UNEMPLOYMENT

A scheme by which he claimed that unemployment could be abolished and every worker enjoy five weeks' holiday with pay and without loss to industry, was explained by Baron de Veitschberger to the Holidays with Pay Committee at the Ministry of Labour.

The baron, a retired Austrian industrialist, said that the scheme was under consideration by the Austrian Government.

"The amount of work done would be the same," he said. "Wages paid would be the same, and the holidays would be paid at the full rate of wages. Workers and work available would be brought into a logical relation, and unemployment abolished for ever."

Points in his scheme, which he explained would be kept on an economic basis by means of the unemployment fund, were:

Extent of holiday to be related to volume of unemployment.

Workers to be prohibited from taking up any paid employment during holidays.

No change in the total of wages paid, working conditions, social insurance contributions, or collective agreements.

Baron de Veitschberger claimed that there would be no increase in general production costs and no reduction in wages, such as the 49-hour week would entail. Savings in unemployment relief expenditure would make possible an extension of old-age pensions.

LEFT MILLIONS, SPENT 2D. A DAY ON FOOD

The Northern India banker and industrialist, Lala Kamlapat Singhanian, who spent only 2d. a day on his food has died worth several million pounds sterling.

He gave thousands of pounds away to charities.

Hymns Should Be Pepped Up

To get more people to church, "pep up" the hymns, says the Rev. Arthur Hildpenny, minister of the Clapham Congregational Church.

"The people outside the church to-day will not be attracted by these nineteenth century hymns and tunes which bulk so largely in our pure-war hymn book," he writes in his church magazine. "They present an intellectual and emotional state of mind which is definitely out of date."

"A hymn book to meet the present needs must contain classical hymns (those which really live for ever, and very few of the nineteenth century reach this standard) and modern tunes which reflect the modern spirit."

"PIECE OF GLASS" FOUND BY GIRL WAS £3,000 DIAMOND

Pretty Milly Muller, twenty-five-year-old Swiss dancer, saw something shining in the dust at the Paris Exhibition. She picked it up and thought it was a piece of glass.

Because she liked the way it sparkled she kept it, and it was not until a friend showed her a newspaper article telling that a rich Frenchwoman had lost a £3,000 diamond that she realised the value of her find.

Mme. de Bonneval, the owner, delighted at the return of her jewel, gave a party to Milly and the three girls who dance with her in the troupe at the Swiss Pavilion.

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DOUBLES WILL DECIDE DAVIS CUP

TO-DAY'S CLASH ON CENTRE COURT

BUDGE AND MAKO WILL START FAVOURITES



Gene Mako, above, and Donald Budge, right, will between them probably carry off the Davis Cup Trophy for the United States at the conclusion of the Challenge Round against the holders, Great Britain, which commenced on the centre court at Wimbledon last Saturday. Bryan Grant, bottom, was dropped in favour of Frankie Parker, Wimbledon semi-finalist.

The Davis Cup Challenge Round between Great Britain, the holders, and the United States, will continue to-day at Wimbledon, when C. R. D. Tuckey and F. H. D. Wilde, Great Britain's Doubles pair, meet Donald Budge and Gene Mako, the Wimbledon champions, in what is likely to prove the deciding match.

LAST SATURDAY H. W. "BUNNY" AUSTIN GAVE THE HOLDERS THE LEAD WHEN HE BEAT FRANKIE PARKER IN STRAIGHT SETS, BUT BUDGE LEVELLED MATTERS BY DEFEATING CHARLES E. HARE, GREAT BRITAIN'S SECOND STRING SINGLES PLAYER, IN A TITANIC STRUGGLE. THE FIRST GAME GOING TO 28 GAMES BEFORE THE AMERICAN WON, SUBSEQUENTLY SWEEPING HIS YOUTHFUL ENGLISH OPPONENT OFF HIS FEET IN THE NEXT TWO SETS.

To-day's doubles match will mean either success or defeat for the holders, as it is anticipated that Budge will win his singles clash against Austin to-morrow, while Parker will start favourite against Hare, by virtue of reaching the semi-finals at Wimbledon.

DISAPPOINTMENT

Great Britain suffered their biggest disappointment when G. P. Hughes dropped out of the team for business reasons, and thereby broke up a perfect partnership with Raymond Tuckey. This resulted in Frank Wilde, last year's Wimbledon doubles finalist, being invited to play.

In their recent tryout against the Australian doubles pair of Jack Crawford and Adrian Quist, Tuckey and Wilde were beaten in four sets!

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

H. W. Austin (Great Britain) beat Frankie Parker (United States) 6-3, 6-2, 7-5.
Charles E. Hare (Great Britain) lost to Donald Budge (United States) 13-15, 1-6, 2-6.

The Davis Cup was donated by Mr. Dwight F. Davis, former Governor-General of the Philippines, and was first competed for in 1900 when America beat the British Isles, as Great Britain was then known, by three matches to nil, one being drawn.

The following is the amazing cycle of wins in the Competition:
America have won in 1900, 1902, 1913, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926.

British Isles (later Great Britain) have won in 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1912, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936.
Australasia (later Australia) won in 1907, 1908, 1909, 1911, 1914, 1919.
France have won in 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932.

HOW UNITED STATES REACHED THE CHALLENGE ROUND

AMERICAN ZONE (FIRST ROUND)

Beat Japan 2-6 on April 30.

Singles
D. Budge (U.S.) beat F. Nakano (Japan) 3-6, 6-1, 6-1.
F. Parker (U.S.) beat J. Yamaoka (Japan) 6-2, 7-5, 6-3.

Doubles
D. Budge and G. Mako (U.S.) beat Yamaoka and Nakano (Japan) 6-1, 6-1.

AMERICAN ZONE (FINAL)
Beat Australia 5-0. On May 30 at Germantown.

Singles
D. Budge (U.S.) beat J. Bromwich

(Australia) 6-2, 6-3, 5-7, 6-1.
B. M. Grant (U.S.) beat J. Crawford (Australia) 6-1, 6-2, 7-5.
Donald Budge (U.S.A.) beat Jack Crawford (Australia) 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.
Bryan Grant (U.S.A.) beat John Bromwich (Australia) 6-2, 7-5, 6-1.

Doubles
D. Budge and G. Mako (U.S.) beat J. Crawford and V. McGrath (Australia) 7-5, 6-1, 8-6.

INTER-ZONE (FINAL)
Beat Germany 3-2 at Wimbledon on July 17, 19 and 20.

Singles
Bryan M. Grant (U.S.) lost to Baron G. Von Cramm (Germany) 3-6, 4-6, 2-6.
D. Budge (U.S.) beat Henner Henkel (Germany) 6-2, 6-1, 6-3.
Bryan M. Grant (U.S.) lost to Henner Henkel (Germany) 5-7, 6-2, 3-6, 4-6.
D. Budge (U.S.) beat Baron G. Von Cramm (Germany) 6-8, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2, 8-6.

Doubles
D. Budge and G. Mako (U.S.) beat G. Von Cramm and H. Henkel (Germany) 4-6, 7-5, 8-6, 6-4.

CUBS BLANKED BY GUMBERT'S FINE PITCHING

Cincinnati Swamp
Philadelphia

New York, To-day.
Yesterday's major League baseball results, as cabled by Reuter, are as follows:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R	H	E
Chicago	0	6	2
Gumbert pitched			
New York	5	9	1
Berger and Danning hit homers			
St. Louis	5	11	2
Brooklyn	6	13	2
Phelps and Winslett hit homers, 11 innings were played			

Pittsburgh 2-5-1
Boston 5-9-0

Cincinnati 13-17-3
Hafey and Lombard hit homers
Philadelphia 3-8-1

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 4-7-1
Chapman and McNally hit homers
Cleveland 2-18-0

Five innings were played, rain intervening and further play was postponed.
Reuter.

ENGLAND'S OPENING BATSMEN

Hutton and Barnett
Brilliant

TOURISTS RECOVER

London, July 24.
England after being in a very strong position at tea in the Second Cricket Test against the New Zealanders, at Manchester, collapsed surprisingly and at the close of play on Saturday, nine wickets had fallen for 358.

Pleasing feature of Saturday's play was the form shown by England's potential opening batsmen against Australia. Leslie Hutton, who, following his failure in the first test, scored a century and assisted by Barnett, who scored 62, hoisted exactly one hundred for the first wicket.

Hardstaff, Hammond, Paynter and J. Smith, the later also making his debut, added materially to the total, but the position cannot be considered as sound, from the point of view of England, as at one time seemed likely.

The game will be resumed this morning.

Scores as cabled by Reuter:

ENGLAND—1ST INNINGS

L. Hutton, c. Dunning, b. Vivian	100
C. T. Barnett, c. Kerr, b. Cowie	62
J. Hardstaff, st. Tindill, b. Cowie	58
W. R. Hammond, b. Gallichan	33
E. Paynter, lbw. Cowie	33
L. R. G. Ames, not out	14
A. W. Wellard, c. Cowie	5
R. M. V. Robins, b. Cowie	14
F. R. Brown, b. Gallichan	1
J. Smith, c. Kerr, b. Gallichan	21
T. W. Goddard, not out	4
Kittie	13
Total (for nine wickets)	358

Ran out wickets: 1 (Barnett) for 100, 7 (Hutton) for 228, 3 (Hardstaff) for 231, 4 (Paynter) for 296, 5 (Hammond) for 302, 6 (Wellard) for 307, 7 (Robins) for 327, 8 (Brown) for 328, 9 (Smith) for 308.

PUI CHING ASSURED OF CHAMPIONSHIP

VOLUNTEERS LOSE
10 TO 5

Pui Ching have now practically won the Hong Kong Baseball championship as the result of their victories over the Hong Kong Club, and the Volunteers yesterday.

In spite of two home runs by D. Leonard and another by Bowen, the Volunteers lost to Pui Ching by 10 runs to 5 in their vital encounter. Bowen pitched well in the first two innings, but was later hit all over the diamond. Collier, the Pui Ching pitcher, started shakily, but improved later, and struck out seven batters.

The Hong Kong Club were barely able to raise a side in the first game and after a long delay managed to round up a team, and though beaten by 9 runs to 5, gave a plucky display. R. McCall was outstanding with both bat and ball.



Teams:
England: R. W. V. Robins (Capt.), F. R. Brown, Hammond, Barnett, Ames, Paynter, Hardstaff, Hutton, J. Smith, W. Wellard, Goddard, Twelfth Man, Parks (J.).
New Zealand: M. L. Page (Capt.), H. C. Vivian, J. L. Kerr, W. A. Hadlee, R. W. Wallace, M. P. Donnelly, D. A. R. Moloney, E. M. Tindill, J. Cowie, Dunning, Gallichan.

BUDGE AND VON CRAMM IN FINAL

AUSTIN BEATEN IN GREAT 2 1/2-HOUR FIGHT

ENGLISHMAN WINS THIRD SET

DUEL AT 14-12

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

London, July 1.

PREDICTION was fulfilled and relative values endorsed at Wimbledon yesterday. J. D. Budge, America's No. 1, and Baron G. Von Cramm, the German champion, reached the final of the singles championship, which will be played to-morrow. Budge beat his compatriot, Frank Andrew Parker, 2-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-1, thus repeating his victory in the semi-final of the American championship last year.

THE GERMAN'S VICTIM WAS H. W. AUSTIN, GREAT BRITAIN'S NO. 1. NOW THAT PERRY IS NO LONGER RANKED OFFICIALLY. BUT THE FIGHT WAS LONG, EXCITING AND GRIM, YIELDING TWO AND A HALF HOURS' PLAY AND THE LONGEST SET IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP, MOST GALLANTLY CAPTURED BY THE ENGLISHMAN. VON CRAMM WON EVENTUALLY, 8-6, 6-3, 12-14, 6-1.

Before the skein of Wimbledon was dissected, I suggested that Budge and Von Cramm were the logical finalists. The seedsmen's bugles had heralded their approach, yet if the Californian's progress has been majestic, Yamagishi of Japan and Crawford of Australia — the latter for five sets — have harassed the German's path.

A snuff-box, we are told, has no right to sneeze. I imagine that Budge, in spite of the omens that presage his victory, is not likely to under-estimate the strength of the challenge.

In service the rivals are well matched, and if it may be considered that the German's second kicking service is a little more cramping to the receiver than the American's second, more normal in type, the strain of generating motor-power over a long duel is more likely to be felt by Von Cramm.

BUDGE'S LONG SWING ment, supported by resolute volleys. But Budge's swing, especially on the backhand, is longer and more measured than his adversary's; that fraction of precious time may conceivably exercise an adverse influence.

Apart from this technical factor, I consider that the American has shown, outside Wimbledon, a more convincing claim to the title than the German. He has never been a finalist before, like Von Cramm, but his match against the winner last year proved to be the decisive trial for Perry.

One or two net-cords fewer and Budge might have been debating a fifth set.

MIGHT HAVE!

Both have beaten Perry in his best amateur days, but only Budge has done so on a grass court. Budge might have come to Wimbledon this year as the American champion if he had reserved his best service for the crucial period when he was leading Perry 5-3 in the fifth set at Forest Hills last September.

Von Cramm has won no major tournament, with First Ten men engaged, since May of last year. There was no German championship in 1936; the Olympiad intervened. He did not compete in the French championship singles this year.

A great and courageous player, he might win to-morrow, but it would be against the book.

A DAY FOR SMASHING

It was a cool, cloudy day, favourable for smashing and stamina. A little rain fell, damping the centre court and adding to the virtue of Parker's slice, but the tarpaulin



crew were not called out and there were no interruption.

The trim, agile yet impassive Parker, clad like a ten-second sprinter—one almost looked for the corks supplied the day's early sensation. He took the first set from the great Budge in 19 minutes and went forward, the ace of confidence, to lead 2-0 in the second.

This was highway robbery. Budge had not lost a set in his five previous rounds, scarcely a service game. Here was a young player who had never threatened him before not only holding him up but making him look helpless in a predicament.

PARKER'S SURPRISE ATTACK

The pistol was brandished at the shortest range. Parker's secret at the start was to chop Budge's service and race in behind a low, curling ball. If this "shooter" did not bring a netted reply, Parker, dashing over, made a winning volley. It was a surprise attack and, while it lasted, a disintegrating one.

But seldom is any splendid story wholly true. I imagine that Budge, remembering his reserves, was not disturbed by the Milwaukee miracle. In the third game of the second set his service, hitherto idle in the fight, began to function, and when he had broken Parker's service, to love, gaining level ground, he began to breathe more freely.

"NO SURRENDER"

Yet Parker was in no surrendering mood. He severed the great man's service again to lead 3-2, and at four all one began to wonder whether the second set might not be swept away by the momentum of this charging youngster, was generating.

He was throwing Budge off his normal strokes by the heavy slice which prevented a rising ball. At times the Californian appeared quite tucked up; even his forehand, which was his birth-shot, was de-

pressed under the volleying pressure. Until Budge could reimpose his service superiority one felt that Parker had a chance.

In the end the clouds dissolved over the head of America's No. 1, and he sailed home serenely, to continue the metaphor, in clear sunshine. He was led 3-2 in the third set losing his service yet again, but that was his last red lamp.

Parker now began to net his volleys and to feel the lack of a normal forehand drive. In the fourth set Budge was his furious, dependable self. But "Nosey Parker" had a double at Wimbledon yesterday.

ENGLAND'S LAST STAND

Austin, meeting Von Cramm in the second semi-final, made an heroic effort to keep England in the singles. He was beaten only after a struggle of 56 games which kept 15,000 spectators glued to their places for well over two hours.

Tense excitement did not bubble up until the third set had wavered to and fro. Indeed, the German, in score if not in play, held such a commanding lead that he was divided from a three-set victory over Austin by a couple of points.

NOT INSPIRING

He had won the first in the fourteenth game. It was not a very inspiring set because neither man was returning the service with firmness or accuracy. Perhaps this was because both were serving well—von Cramm with the disturbing break which aimed at Austin's backhand line, often brought a netted reply, Austin because the improved control of his delivery seemed to take his opponent by surprise.

Yet, though neither could master his strategy on the other, one felt that von Cramm was working up to a more aggressive display, one in which his famous backhand passing shot would shine, and his capacity to bury and to advance his cause.

From 4-1 in the second set Von Cramm moved majestically to 5-2. His forehand betrayed him in the eighth game, but he went out with his splendid service in the ninth. One of Austin's attempted replies, visited the Royal box.

GERMAN RELAXES

So strenuously had Von Cramm

been attacking in the second, about that one looked for a possible reaction in the third, for there would be no 10 minutes' interval at its close, conceded on the Continent, if Austin, still right in the fight, could win it.

Sure enough, the German let down and Austin braced. He came within a stroke of a four-love lead. Now his length of drive was better than the enemy's his return of service took on fresh assurance; he was patient and militant at the same time.

WONDERFUL SET

What a wonderful set developed! First Von Cramm launched a reprisal, and squared in the sixth game, taking that game to love with almost cavalier confidence. He broke Austin's service after deuce, then produced more kicks on his own, to lead 5-3.

On the threshold of victory he faltered, while Austin was stolidly firm. Amid great cheering he captured three games in sequence, to lead 6-5. He broke through the German's service to love, extracted forehand errors and volleying slips by ably directed drives.

AUSTIN BAULKED BY SERVICE

If only he could handle the vicious German service which came between him and the set for nearly 40 minutes! He could not do it until the 26th game and after seven set balls had been saved by his rival.

If tribute must rightly be given to Austin for hanging on so nobly, producing in this phase his best tennis of the season, the German deserved every cheer he got for his great saving shots when the set seemed lost. At these successive crises he showed the champion's nerve and skill, and every shot in his armoury was required.

BLINDING SPEED

At long last, on the eighth set ball, Austin hit a fine backhand service return past the incoming volleyer. A deep throated shout went up. But Von Cramm, in no way distressed, swept through the fourth set with blinding speed. Three of his six games were taken to love. He only lost the fifth game and broke through Austin's service to love to finish the match.

"I have not yet begun to fight" you could almost hear him say, repeating the words of John Paul Jones when summoned to surrender his ship which was sinking under him.

MORAL OF AUSTIN'S PLAY

As a footnote to this skeleton narrative one may point a moral concerning Austin's play. His form was very much higher in the third set than in the two preceding it. The rise would seem to reveal the value of "first ten" practice to a player who had been declining through its absence.

In other words, von Cramm depended on the absent Perry. Austin's backhand weapons were alike sharpened.

And doubles had their notable results. In the women's event Miss Jacobs and Miss Spiering, the British singles champions of the day before, fell to the more sympathetic combination of Mrs. Andrews and Mme. Henrotin.

To date the four survivors in the women's singles—two in shorts and two in skirts—come back to the centre court. Miss Bond meets Mme. Mathien and Miss Marble plays Mlle. Jedrzejowska. Who will win these two intriguing matches only the gods know.

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JOCK McAVOY IN A GARAGE SCENE

London, July 1.—A fine of £5, with costs, was imposed at Manchester yesterday on Joseph Bamford — Jock McAvoy, the British middle-weight boxing champion — who lives at Offerton, Cheshire, for assaulting Hugh Orr, of St. Simon's street, Salford.

Bamford, in evidence, said that when he was going to overtake Orr's van it cut out, and he thought there was going to be an accident. "I got out of the car and pushed Orr away with the flat of my left hand," added Bamford. "It may have been a rough push, but it certainly was not a punch." He denied that Orr fell.

Sir Malcolm Campbell Pleased With New "Bluebird"

Glasgow, July 1.

Sir Malcolm Campbell, who is attempting to beat the world speed-boat record of 124.86 miles an hour held by Gar Wood, the American, to-day gave his specially-built new boat Bluebird her first test run on Loch Lomond.

Over the measured mile, between Luss and Inverbeg, Bluebird reached a speed of 85 miles an hour on a run in each direction.

The weather conditions were poor, mist and a heavy drizzle pre-

venting. When Sir Malcolm arrived back at his headquarters at Rosdhu he said "Visibility was absolutely appalling. The weather was very bad."

Nevertheless, Sir Malcolm seemed pleased with the trial. "This run has helped me very much," he said, "but there are a few adjustments still to be made."

The engine was given a trial run, and Sir Malcolm, clad in his life-saving jacket, stepped into the cockpit. There was a pause of on-

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C.R.C. HAVE NECESSARY TALENT

DEFEAT OF U.S.R.C.
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TO-DAY'S TENNIS

(By "ADREM")

This afternoon at Causeway Bay, a match will be played in the Mixed Doubles League, weather permitting, which should definitely decide whether or not the United Services Recreation Club will capture the championship.

They have already beaten the highly-fancied senior Kowloon Cricket Club combination, on the latter's own territory, and a victory this afternoon, should make honours certain.

Although they have recently had considerable difficulty in raising a team, W. C. Hung, the C. R. C. skipper, has now assembled quite a decent array of talent and despite the fact that C.R.C. are not generally conceded much chance of winning this afternoon, the U.S.R.C. would be advised not to take them too lightly.

Result Should Be Close

The Chinese have three sound men and among the ladies have recruited Miss Cissy Botelho, formerly of the Recreio. With Mrs. Chin Chun-chiu and Miss Rose Rumjahn to complete the team, there seems to be a fair possibility that they will capture the five sets necessary to give them victory, more especially as they will have the advantage of playing on their own courts.

Whatever the result, I shall be surprised if there is more than the odd set in it, even though U.S.R.C. are fielding the same team as that which defeated K.C.C. (1).

Both K.C.C. teams will participate in a practice game at Cox Road.

HIGH JUMP MAY BE WORLD RECORD

HORSE'S EFFORT AT OLYMPIA

DIRECTOR MAKES STATEMENT

London, June 28.

Mr. R. G. Heaton, a director of the International Horse Show, issued a statement on Saturday following the confusion after an announcement on Friday night that the world's record had been broken in the high jump competition for British civilians.

It read: "The official height the horse jumped was 7ft. 6½in. It is certainly a record for Olympia, but whether it is a world record I cannot say."

Mr. Heaton said: "It was impossible to measure the height of the jump last night. The crowds surged round the obstacle so that the judges could not get to it. To-day we set up the jump on a concrete floor and found that the height was 7ft. 6½in."

UNAUTHORISED

Mr. Heaton added that the announcement through the loudspeakers that the jump was 7ft. 8in. and that it had broken the world's record was "entirely unauthorised." The jump was made by Swank, a bay gelding ridden by W. Beard and

Saturday's Bowls Results

FIRST DIVISION		
C.S.C.C.	61 C.C.C.	66
K.C.C.	68 H.K.F.C.	49
C. de R.	75 P.R.C.	43
K.D.R.C.	50 K.B.G.C.	65

SECOND DIVISION		
K.B.G.C.	57 L.R.C.	62
H.K.F.C.	65 K.C.C.	47
C.C.C.	74 P.R.C.	57
T.R.C.	49 C. de R.	58

THIRD DIVISION		
K.F.C.	57 R.H.K.Y.C.	54
H.K.E.R.C.	38 C.S.C.C.	64
C.C.C.	80 C. de R.	38
H.K.F.C.	55 K.T.G.C.A.	73



BUDGE AND VON CRAMM IN FINAL

(Continued from Page 19)

The French player has never yet reached the final; Miss Round has won the title. Miss Marble has been beaten twice by the Polish champion in England this summer.

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holder: F. J. Perry (G.B.)

Semi-Final

(Seeded Players in Black Type)
J. D. Budge (U.S.A.) beat F. A. Parker (U.S.A.), 2-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-1.

G. Von Cramm (Germany) beat H. W. Austin (G.B., nominated), 8-6, 6-3, 12-14, 6-1.

MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: G. P. Hughes and C. R. D. Tuckey (G.B.)

Fourth Round

L. Hecht and E. Menzel (Czechoslovakia) beat J. Jamain (France) and G. von Metaxa (Austria), 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: Miss F. James and Miss K. E. Stammers (G.B.)

Third Round

Miss E. M. Dearman and Miss J. Ingram (G.B.) beat Miss N. M. Lyle and Miss B. Nuthall (G.B.), 6-0, 4-6, 7-5.

Miss A. E. L. McOstrich and Miss J. Saunders (G.B.) beat Miss N. B. Brown and Miss R. Jarvis (G.B.), 2-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Mrs. D. B. Andrus (U.S.A.) and Mme S. Henrotin (France) beat Miss H. H. Jacobs and Fru. S. Sperling (Denmark), 7-5, 6-8, 6-2.

Mrs. M. R. King and Mrs. J. B. Pittman (G.B.) beat Mrs. F. M. Strassman and Mrs. H. S. Uber (G.B.), 8-6, 4-6, 6-1.

Miss M. Heeley and Miss D. E. Round (G.B.) beat Mme C. Boegner and Countess de la Valdene (France), 5-7, 6-1, 7-5.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Holders: F. J. Perry and Miss D. E. Round (G.B.)

Fourth Round

C. R. D. Tuckey and Miss M. C. Scriven (G.B.) beat L. G. Collins and Lady Rowellan (G.B.), 6-1, 6-3.

Y. Petris and Mme. R. Mathien (France) beat E. J. Ritchie and Miss V. E. Scott (G.B.), 6-0, 6-3.

R. K. Tinkler and Miss M. E. Lamb (G.B.) beat M. Bernard and Mme. S. Henrotin (France), 6-3, 6-2.

G. Mako (U.S.A.) and Janna J. Jedzejowska (Poland) beat K. Schroder (Sweden) and Miss J. Saunders (G.B.), 4-6, 8-6, 6-1.

D. Prentiss and Miss E. M. Dearman (G.B.) beat H. G. N. Lee and Miss E. N. S. Dickinson (G.B.), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

J. Yamagishi (Japan) and Miss B. Nuthall (G.B.) beat F. H. D. Wilde and Miss M. Whitmarsh (G.B.), 6-3, 6-4.

Fifth Round

J. D. Budge and Miss A. Marble (U.S.A.) beat Tuckey and Miss Scriven, 6-2, 6-2.

Petris and Mme. Mathien beat J. Boeris and Mme. C. Boegner (France), 6-1, 8-6.

exhibited by Mr. F. W. Foster, of Friary Farm, Derby. Mr. Beard, who is 17, is a nephew of Mr.

OPEN SINGLES LAWN BOWLS

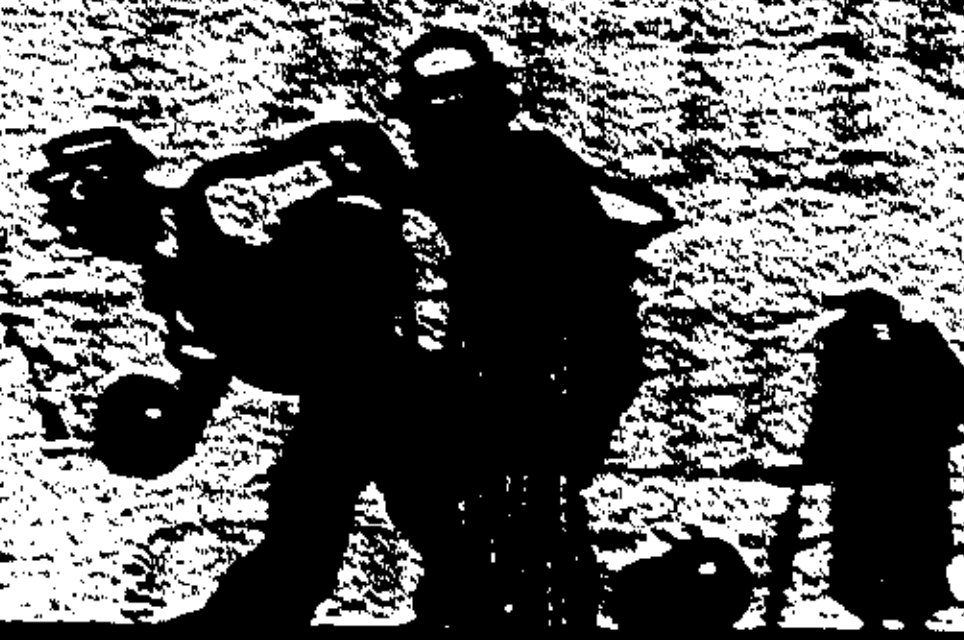
FIRST ROUND TO BE COMPLETED TO-DAY

The First Round of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship will be completed this afternoon, when all postponed games will be played off.

The following are to-day's games—

J. Watson	v	H. Overy
G. H. Sherriff	v	C. B. Hosking
S. Randle	v	R. O. Read
J. R. Soares	v	W. L. Walker

(Club de Recreio)		
J. Pau	v	S. Forrest
W. Hayward	v	J. Russell
(Hong Kong Football Club)		
J. Cook	v	S. Eccleshall
J. Hoosen	v	A. W. Grimmitt
(Civil Service Cricket Club)		
T. R. Hunter	v	H. A. Alves
(Kowloon Bowling Green)		
U. M. Omar	v	J. J. Basto
S. M. White	v	G. M. Omar
F. Goodwin	v	R. F. Luz
(Kowloon Docks Recreation Club)		



LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

First Division

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Shots	Shots	
							Up	Down	Pts.
CRAIGENGOWER	10	8	2	0	687	565	122	0	16
CLUB de RECREIO	10	8	2	0	653	548	105	0	16
KOWLOON DOCK R.C.	9	6	3	0	596	494	102	0	12
KOWLOON B.G.C.	11	6	5	0	665	644	21	0	12
CIVIL SERVICE	9	3	5	1	523	542	0	19	7
POLICE R.C.	9	2	5	2	476	616	0	140	6
FOOTBALL CLUB	11	2	8	1	593	718	0	125	5
KOWLOON C.C.	9	2	7	0	488	554	0	66	4
TOTALS	78	37	37	4	4681	4681	350	350	78

Second Division

INDIAN R.C.	11	10	0	1	706	565	141	0	21
CRAIGENGOWER	10	8	2	0	675	522	153	0	16
CLUB de RECREIO	9	7	1	1	625	443	182	0	15
KOWLOON B.G.C.	10	5	5	0	599	593	6	0	10
TAIKOO DOCKS R.C.	10	3	7	0	556	564	0	8	6
FOOTBALL CLUB	10	3	7	0	520	627	0	107	6
POLICE R.C.	9	1	8	0	427	576	0	149	2
KOWLOON C.C.	9	1	8	0	437	655	0	218	2
TOTALS	78	38	38	2	4545	4545	482	482	78

Third Division

CIVIL SERVICE	10	8	2	0	677	497	180	0	16
CLUB de RECREIO	10	6	4	0	585	610	0	25	12
KOWLOON TONG	11	6	5	0	670	616	54	0	12
YACHT CLUB	11	6	5	0	659	627	32	0	12
H. K. ELECTRIC R.C.	10	5	5	0	547	562	0	15	10
CRAIGENGOWER	10	4	6	0	578	642	0	64	8
K. FOOTBALL CLUB	9	3	6	0	461	558	0	97	6
FOOTBALL CLUB	11	3	8	0	613	678	0	65	6
TOTALS	82	41	41	0	4790	4790	266	266	82

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OPENING PAIR FAIL AGAIN

(By HOWARD MARSHALL)

London, June 30.

NEW ZEALAND, fighting splendidly, managed to draw the first Test match at Lord's. England, thanks to a grant attacking partnership by Hardstaff and Barnett, declared at the luncheon interval 355 runs ahead, and New Zealand, after early disasters, struggled gamely on to 175 for 8 wickets before stumps were drawn.

WHATEVER ELSE MAY BE SAID OF THIS MATCH, NEW ZEALAND UNDOUBTEDLY MADE A BRAVE FIGHT OF IT. THEY WERE UP AGAINST A FULLY REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND SIDE, THEY LOST THE TOSS, AND MADE ENGLAND GROPE FOR RUNS ON A PERFECT WICKET, AND THEN THEY PROCEEDED TO EXTRICATE THEMSELVES FROM DESPERATE SITUATIONS WITH THE UTMOST COURAGE.

New Zealand, in short, have come out of this game with real credit, but it is no use pretending that England were convincing. Yesterday morning, it is true, Hardstaff and Barnett batted gloriously and put on 104 runs for the third wicket in an hour. That somewhat restored our faith in the England batting, but what of the opening pair?

Parks, I am afraid, has not lived up to his performances in county cricket, and Hutton was in for three-quarters of an hour—counting both innings—for one run.

Hutton is too promising a player to be written off because of his failure in his first big test, but the selectors must be a little uneasy. Probably we shall find Barnett opening the innings again at Manchester.

SHORT-LENGTH BOWLING

As for the England bowling, that was depressing indeed. Why the modern fast bowler refuses to keep a length is beyond me, and I shudder to think what men like Richardson would have said about the short stuff bowled by Gover and Voce yesterday afternoon.

Hammond, by the way, has strained a thigh muscle, which explains why he bowled so little on Monday. He was unable to bat or bowl yesterday, and only fielded for a short while.

The New Zealand innings did not

last long, and at 11.20 England came out to collect runs as quickly as might be against the bowling of Cowie and Roberts.

Cowie from the pavilion end looked properly hostile, and with only 8 runs scored he brought one rasping down the hill to send Parks off stump flying. He also made Hutton flick one dangerously near first slip, and again England were starting shakily.

TWO DOWN FOR 19

Fortunately Hardstaff was seeing the ball clearly, but the unfortunate Hutton turned Cowie's break back tamely into Vivian's hands at short leg, and two wickets were down for 19 runs.

A sad state of affairs, but Hardstaff and Barnett were in fine fettle, and they immediately took the bowling by the scruff of the neck. Hardstaff played some beautiful strokes in front of the wicket, and runs began to come fast. Barnett edged Roberts through the slips once, but that was a minor lapse, and when Dunning and Vivian, the slower bowlers, came on they were greeted in a most uncivil manner.

Barnett drove Dunning so fiercely that mid-off could not move before the ball was past him, and then we settled down to enjoy some superb stroke play.

GLORIOUS DRIVING

No batsman drives through the

covers more gloriously than Barnett, and Hardstaff has the debonaire, wristy elegance about him which belongs to a man who is not overburdened by utilitarian ideas about the game.

The bowlers were paralysed by quick-footed players, who turned good-length balls into half-volleys, and for the first time in the match we saw a properly dominant England. The 100 went up at 12.30, and when at last Hardstaff was caught at the wicket, flicking at Roberts, the total was 123, and the partnership had put on 104 runs in an hour.

FRIVOLOUS ONSLAUGHT

Ames joined in the cheerful onslaught; Barnett ripped out stroke after stroke, and though Ames gave mid-off a catch at 163, Robins came out to play positively frivolous cricket until the luncheon interval.

The total then had reached 226 for four, which gave England a lead of 355, and Robins was able to declare safely.

Vivian and Hadlee started New Zealand's second innings quite safely against Gover and Voce, and there was no false stroke until Vivian hit Voce fairly and squarely into Verity's hands in the gully. This started a run of misfortune, for Moloney was run out by the skin of his teeth when Paynter threw the wicket down, and Hadlee, trying to hook Voce, was hit on the shoulder, and the ball trickled down on to his stumps.

COURAGE IN CRISIS

Three wickets down and only 15 runs on the board, but then came another proof of New Zealand courage in a crisis. Page and Wallace dug their toes in, and once more England seemed to be unable to clinch matters.

Wallace was dropped at short-leg off Gover, a sitter if ever there was one, but his luck was counterbalanced by the fact that he took a blow on an already broken finger which nearly knocked him out.

NOT AUSTRALIA

Page, by nature a forcing batsman, thought it best to restrict himself to grim defence, and he also was dropped, once behind the wicket off Voce and once at silly mid-off, and again we were thankful that England were not playing Australia.

Wallace in the meanwhile was batting delightfully, quick-footed and full of strokes, despite two more cruel raps on his injured hand. A most courageous innings, indeed, and he was downright disrespectful to Verity, hitting him for four 4s before he put his leg in front of an off-spinner from Parks.

TOURISTS SINKING

The Partnership had added 70 runs, a very useful stand, but Page was soon caught and bowled by Robins, with the total 37, and once more New Zealand was sinking towards defeat.

It was 4.20 then, with only five wickets to fall, and the injured Kerr came in to join Roberts. Again New Zealand rallied, and the England bowling was made to look very different.

BRILLIANTLY CAUGHT

Runs came steadily, Gover and Voce bowled short rubbish, Kerr and Roberts patiently let the important minutes go by, taking the occasional 4 off the particularly loose ball, and the total rose to 143 before Roberts was brilliantly caught one-handed by a substitute striking at short leg.

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Donnelly came in to join Kerr, and hooked Gover with contemptuous hostility to the boundary. Time was creeping on, New Zealand hopes were rising, and at 6.15 an appeal against shocking light was upheld. It was just possible to have one more loose ball, and the total rose to 163 before Roberts was brilliantly caught one-handed by a substitute striking at short leg.

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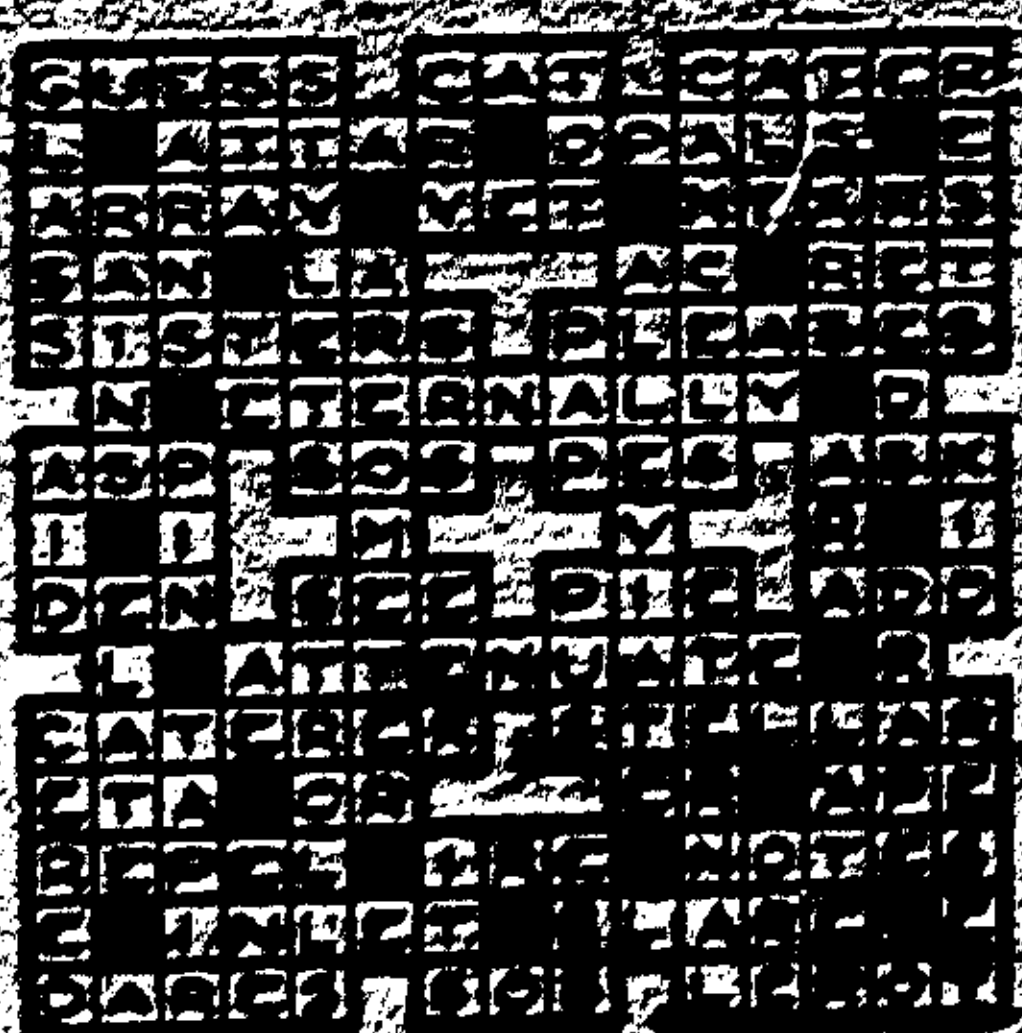


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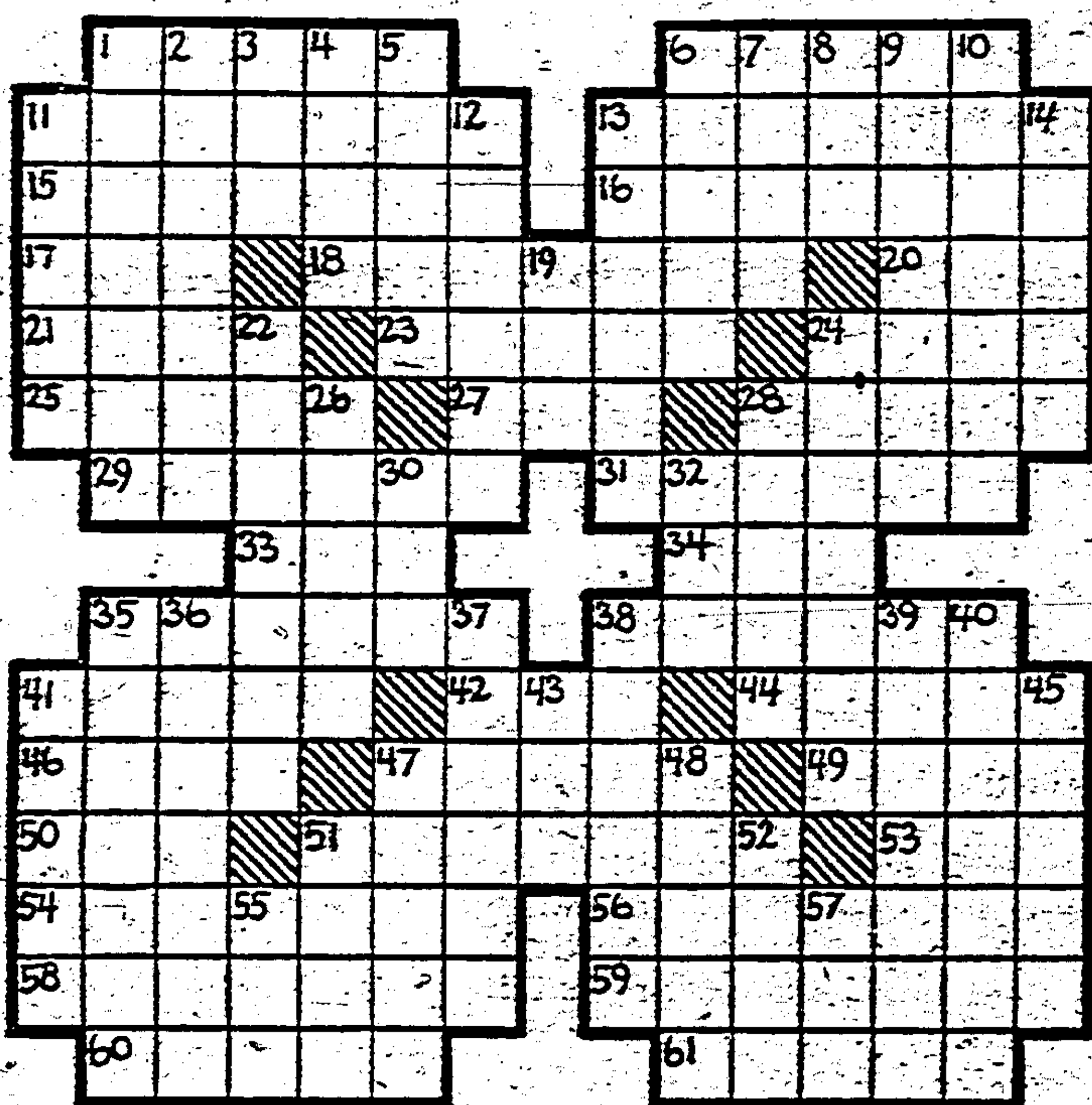
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SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Sing tremulously
- 6-Sew loosely
- 11-Pertaining to Crimea
- 13-To notify by writ
- 15-Reprieve
- 16-Wrinkles
- 17-Man's name
- 18-A section
- 20-Trade marks (abbr.)
- 21-Place of Napoleon's first exile
- 23-Showers
- 24-Check
- 25-Part of a window-frame (pl.)
- 27-Small bird
- 28-Goddess of grain (Class Myth)
- 29-Decide
- 31-Strain
- 33-Epoch
- 34-Army Ordnance Department (abbr.)
- 35-Mistakes
- 38-Discolors
- 41-Slumber
- 42-An old English measure
- 44-Part of a ship (pl.)
- 46-To direct one's course

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 47-Shun
- 49-Water-weed (Prov. Eng.)
- 50-Perform
- 51-Punished
- 53-Five hundred six
- 54-Disease of the apple
- 56-Containing more hair
- 58-Low political retainers
- 59-A drawing instrument (pl.)
- 60-Clothes
- 61-Snaris (Obs.)

VERTICAL

- 1-Cross-barred grating
- 2-Pertaining to laughter
- 3-Mischievous child
- 4-Hawaiian garlands
- 5-Tardier
- 6-Ignites
- 7-Aalet
- 8-Mineral spring
- 9-Bed canopies
- 10-Fees

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 11-Indian tribe
- 12-Nullify
- 13-Perfumes
- 14-Associations (abbr.)
- 19-One thousand two
- 22-Changed the form of
- 24-Containing more road
- 26-A strap
- 28-Hoarse vocal sound
- 30-Etruscan god
- 32-To make an edging
- 35-Chosen
- 38-One who derives an income from capital (Fr.)
- 37-A number (pl.)
- 38-Neglects
- 39-More in want
- 40-Splinters
- 41-To splash water about
- 43-Largest city in the world (abbr.)
- 45-Agitates
- 47-Affirms
- 48-Darlings
- 51-Imitates
- 52-Girl's name
- 53-Suffix, same as bio
- 57-Reformed Church of America (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle

will appear in to-morrow's issue.

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- 19 Ladies' Teak Dresser
- 20 Dressing Table with Stool
- 21 Teakwood Sideboard
- 22 Teakwood China Cabinet
- 23 Chesterfield and Chair
- 24 Small Teak Chest of Drawers
- 25 Large Wall Mirror in frame
- 26 Ceiling Fan with Light 220
- 27 Hand Painted Fire Screen
- 28 Blue China Vase 18"
- 29 Large Teak Office Desk
- 30 Writing Desk & Bookcase
- 31 Brown M/C Loud Speaker
- 32 Carved Wood Fernpot Stand
- 33 Electric Table Lamp & Shade
- 34 Assortment of China Vases
- 35 8 fold Bedroom Screen 60"
- 36 Small Hanging Mirror
- 37 Teakwood Cabin Boxes
- 38 Large Teak Towel Rack
- 39 Child's Bed complete
- 40 Small Child's Cot
- 41 Single Iron Bedstead
- 42 Double Bed Box Spring
- 43 Child's Teak Play Pen
- 44 Gateleg Dining Table
- 45 Cut Crystal Fruit Dish
- 46 Teakwood Dinner Waggon
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Showers Expected To-Day

Yesterday's temperature soared to 92 degrees in the shade, but this morning the thermometer had fallen to 86 degrees, and cool periods may be experienced as showers are expected throughout to-day. The minimum temperature last night was 79 degrees.

Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 o'clock this morning reports the Royal Observatory, was .63 of an inch, and the total this year is 1.57 inches below average.

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that the typhoon is moving north-eastward through the Straits of Korea, and that a shallow depression lies over South China and the northern part of the China Sea.

Local forecast: South and South-West winds, moderate; fair to showery.

WOMAN CHARGED UNDER 1686 ACT

Goods Taken After Bailiff's Visit

DENIAL IN "POUND BREACH" CHARGE

Under a statute of 1686 Mrs. C. B. Perel, Holland Park-avenue, W., was summoned at West London police-court for "pound breach."

It was alleged that she

"Removed certain goods and chattels from her home after the goods had been impounded by a bailiff under a distress warrant, with the object and intent to avoid distress proceedings being completed."

Mr. Ben Thomas, prosecuting, said the offence could be dealt with only as an indictable misdemeanour, involving a committal for trial. Such proceedings were usually dealt with in a civil court, but in the present case the landlord had taken the action as a warning to other tenants.

Mr. Thomas explained that to impound goods it was not necessary to put them into a pound. "In the old days," he said, "it was necessary to take the goods right away from the premises, but now it is sufficient impounding it, with the consent of the owners, the bailiff leaves the goods in their present whereabouts."

"In the present case there were arrears of rent amounting to £14, and the bailiff made an inventory of the goods, thereby impounding them. The husband signed a request for a 'walking possession' which means the bailiff need not stay on the premises. It was later found the wife had removed all the furniture except a lounge suite."

Not Responsible for Debt

Mrs. Perel, giving evidence, said that her husband had not told her the goods which were here property, had been impounded. She declared that her husband had no right to sign for goods which did

BOTH SIDES RUSH REINFORCEMENTS

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tude and is now obeying the Generalissimo's instructions.

Severe fighting is still going on near Lanfang, the population of which has panicked and is leaving en masse for Tientsin.

THE JAPANESE ARE REPORTED TO HAVE OCCUPIED THE ENTIRE TOWN, AND ARE NOW ENGAGED IN CLOSE FIGHTING WITH THE CHINESE TROOPS AT FENGTAI AND WANGTSUN.

THE JAPANESE SUFFERED 10 KILLED AND WOUNDED IN THE ORIGINAL CLASH AT LANFANG, WHICH PRECIPITATED THE FIGHTING AT FENGTAI AND WANGCHUN, AND ARE RUSHING REINFORCEMENTS TO THE SPOT FROM TIENTSIN.

THE JAPANESE BOMBING ATTACK ON LANFANG THIS MORNING LASTED FOR AN HOUR, TREMENDOUS DAMAGE BEING DONE. THE CHINESE REPLIED WITH ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS BUT FAILED TO HIT THE ENEMY PLANES.—OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CORRUPTION OF ENGLISH BY SLANG

Criticism of imported slang was expressed by Lord Plender, who spoke at Commemoration Day at King's School, Rochester.

He feared that if unchecked these words and phrases would "corrupt the dignity and beauty of the English language."

"There is a tendency to-day to carelessness in speech and indifference in expressing clearly and well thoughts and ideas in writing," said Lord Plender.

"These defects should be corrected by good reading, which should maintain the purity of the springs which water the garden of the finest literature in the world."

"These springs, however, are becoming defiled by the type of book which is being poured out of the printing press in hundreds of thousands, in which no ennobling thought, no right conception of duty, no elevating principle, no good writing can be found."

"The pollution of our language is seen daily in the Press. Only this week I saw as the heading of a leading article in a widely-read newspaper, 'M. Blum Passes the Buck'."

"That is apparently an Americanism for resigns."

not belong to him, and she maintained that there was still sufficient furniture left in the flat to cover the debt.

Mrs. Perel was committed to the County of London sessions and was allowed bail in her husband's surety of £10.

The offence "pound breach" recalls the days when cattle were impounded for non-payment of rates or taxes, and farmers sometimes broke the walls of the pound and released their animals.

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ON THE SINO-JAPANESE
CLASH WILL BE
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B.B.C. TO ASK FOR CRITICISM

The B.B.C. is seeking criticism.

They started on July 18 a special series of broadcasts to encourage you to write to them about what you think of radio talks on films.

Special forms will be issued (with free reply envelopes) to everyone who writes in asking to be put on the listening "panel."

The B.B.C. is also to hit back at its critics, said Mr. George Burnett, of the Public Relations Department. The B.B.C. has used the microphone sparingly for public relations work, although it could be used effectively as a means of counteracting unfair criticism.

"The reason has been that the B.B.C. felt, once it entered into public quarrels, it would be difficult to get out with dignity."

The change of attitude—because five M.P.s have got together to criticise B.B.C. programme policy publicly.

Mr. W. M. Thomson sat as Magistrate in the Police Court this morning in place of Mr. K. Keen, who is indisposed.

While driving along Waterloo Road, the Rev. C.B.R. Sargent, Headmaster of the Diocesan Boys School, knocked down J. Elias, of 468 Prince Edward Road, who received injuries to the right arm and was sent to Kowloon Hospital.

Koko Wan was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from a bruised nose sustained when he hit a submerged pole while diving at the South China Bathing Club.

Thieves used an umbrella to transport \$600 worth of goods taken from a tobacconist's shop in Richmond.

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